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LEM THE GREM**

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# 4THOUGHTS AND AFTERTHOUGHTS

## THE EDITORS WRITE:

Dear Readers:

In 4MOST we try to give you, the readers, stories that are jam-packed with action. You tell us that you want healthy, wholesome and interesting stories. From what you write in your letters we know we have given you this. We shall continue to do so, but we want to hear your likes and dislikes, your ideas on how 4MOST should be presented to you. Please us by writing and we shall please you by fulfilling your wishes.

Hope you enjoy this September-October issue of 4MOST and don't forget to read the Questions and Answers at the bottom of the pages. Join the thousands who find them exciting as well as educational.

Cordially yours,  
The Editors.

## THE READERS WRITE:

Dear Editors:

I have just finished reading your winter issue of 4MOST.

You asked our (the reader's) opinion of your new strip. My opinion of "Grover and Bonnie" is that they are the best you have ever put in your book. I enjoyed it very much.

But best of all I like "Dick Cole." Why, because I like football and Dick is always playing football. He also has a nice girl. She sticks with him always. But to get back to your question. Please keep "Grover and Bonnie" in your comic book. They are the best yet.

Respectfully,

Frank J. Dutra, U.S.N.  
New York, N. Y.

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Dear Editors:

I think that the 4MOST comic book is the best of all the comics I have read, though I regret to say it's only the old copies I can manage to get in England, and I envy the American children who are able to get all the new issues. But it doesn't matter really, old copies are better than none, aren't they?

And please, if you don't mind, could you find me a boy pen-friend from your readers. I promise faithfully to answer all letters promptly. I am 13 years old. If you haven't a boy's name, please send a girl's.

Thank you so much.

Yours truly,

Miss J. Curbishley  
56 Willow Grove  
Plaistow, London

Dear Editors:

I have just finished reading the March-April issue of 4MOST, and I really think it's wonderful.

My favorites are "Dick Cole," "The Cadet" and "Candid Charlie."

I enjoy the "Questions and Answers" very much. Why not have a whole page of "Q's and A's?"

Yours truly,

Charlotte Arnold  
Mitchell, Ind.

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Dear Editors:

I think 4MOST is getting worse every time. Don't you think it would be better if Dick Cole met a nice girl and talked about something else besides sports?

The only story I like is "Lem the Grem." It is very amusing and I think everyone agrees with me.

Yours truly,

Eleanor Tocco  
Detroit, Mich.

*Our readers agree that "Lem the Grem" is amusing, Eleanor, but Frank J. Dutra seems to like Dick Cole and Laura the way they are.*

\* \* \*

Dear Editors:

Lem the Grem is swell. He tries to help people but gets them into trouble. But he gets them out. Please keep him in 4MOST.

I also like "Dick Cole" and "Edison Bell." I think "The Cadet" featuring Kit Carter is o.k., too.

You have a wonderful comic. Please publish it monthly. Keep up the good work.

A 4MOST reader,  
Terry Grider  
Washington, Ind.

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Dear Editors:

Having just finished reading 4MOST, I am writing to let you know how much I enjoy it. I think "Dick Cole" and "Edison Bell" are wonderful. I think the book is swell. The stories are all interesting and exciting.

I also enjoyed "Lem the Grem" and hope you will continue to have it in the future 4MOST magazines. I am sixteen years of age. I am looking forward to reading your next issue of 4MOST.

Sincerely yours,

Glynn Winscott  
Boomville, Ind.

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Dear Editor:

I have just finished the March-April issue of 4MOST comics and I think it is the best comic I have ever read, and believe me I have read many of them. With "Dick Cole," "Edison Bell," "Cadet Kit Carter," and "Lem the Grem," it is an all-star comic all the way from start to finish.

I am looking forward to reading your next exciting issue of 4MOST comics very much.

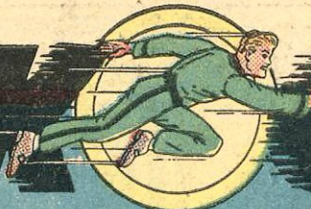
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Tom Dolan  
Syracuse 7, N. Y.

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# DICK COLE



DICK COLE FIGHTS THROUGH A HOWLING GALE IN A DARING ATTEMPT TO RESCUE AMERICA'S MOST PRECIOUS DOCUMENT!

TO THE HONOR GUARD OF FARR MILITARY ACADEMY'S BIG AMERICAN HISTORY EXHIBIT, DOC HACK, A STRANGER, SEEMS HARMLESS ENOUGH.

SAY, HAVE YOU REALLY GOT THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE HERE?

YES, SIR, THE GOVERNMENT LENT IT TO THE ACADEMY FOR THE EXHIBIT. WE KEEP A NIGHT-AND-DAY GUARD ON IT!

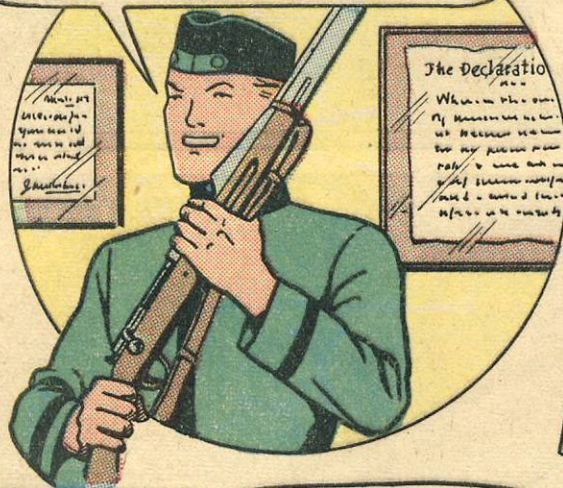
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OUTSIDE, WE HAVE SOME OLD-TIME MILITARY EQUIPMENT ON VIEW, BUT OUR PRIZE DISPLAY IS NATURALLY THE DECLARATION!



MORE INNOCENT-LOOKING MEN ENTER, EACH STOPPING NEAR A GUARD.

EACH GUARD IS COVERED NOW! WHY DOESN'T DOC GIVE THE SIGNAL?



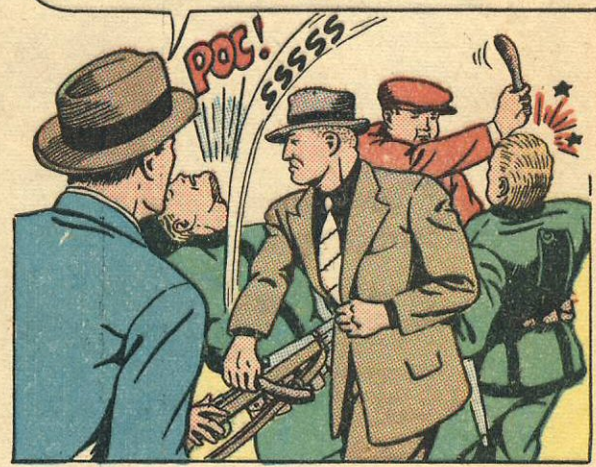
SUDDENLY...

THERE IT IS! NOW 'EM DOWN, BOYS!



THE LOUNGING MEN SPRING INTO ACTION!

WHAT A SMOOTH JOB! ALL DOWN AT ONCE!



THEY'RE ALL OUT COLD! QUICK, ED, GRAB THE DECLARATION! HURRY!



GOT IT, BOSS!

HUH! SOME HONOR GUARD! WE'LL BE MILES AWAY BEFORE THEY WAKE UP!

LET'S GET OUT O' HERE!

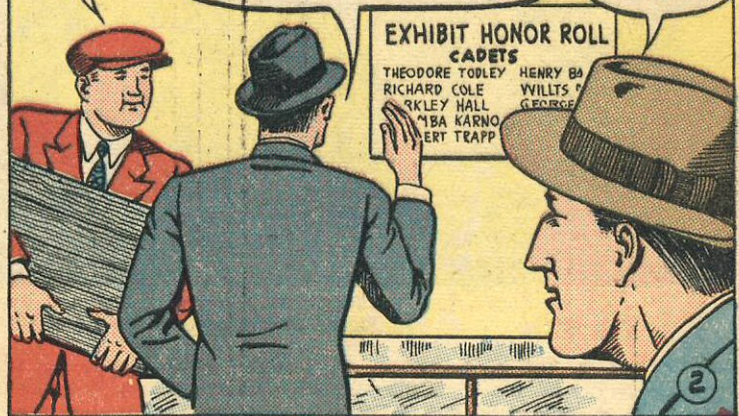


EXHIBIT HONOR ROLL CADETS

THEODORE TODLEY HENRY BA  
RICHARD COLE WILLIS  
RILEY HALL GEORGE  
MBA KARNO  
ERT TRAPP



**A**S DOC AND HIS GANG FLEE THE EXHIBIT ROOM, YOUNG "CARROT" SMITH ENTERS.

WHAT'S UP?  
HEY! YOU...

OUTTA OUR WAY, SHRIMP!



**DICK!** WHAT..  
WHY, WHAT'S  
WRONG?

THEY CONKED US AND STOLE  
THE DECLARATION. QUICK!  
GET THE LICENSE NUMBER  
OF THEIR CAR. DON'T  
BOTHR ABOUT ME. I'LL  
BE OKAY IN A MINUTE.



**A** MOMENT LATER, OUTSIDE THE EXHIBIT HALL...

HOLD IT, MEN. THAT LITTLE SQUIRT OVER  
THERE IS WRITING OUR LICENSE. LET'S  
GET HIM.



**S**TILL GROGGY, DICK JOINS CARROT SMITH.

I'VE GOT THEIR  
NUMB ... **OOH!**  
HERE THEY COME!

WE'LL HAVE TO FIGHT  
IT OUT, ALONE!  
BARK AND THE REST  
ARE STILL OUT!



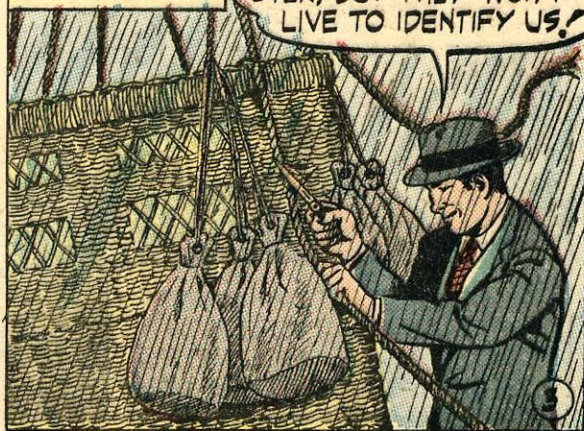
**O**UTNUMBERED,  
AND WITH DICK  
STILL GROGGY  
FROM THE  
SLUGGING,  
CARROT AND  
DICK FIGHT  
VALIANTLY, BUT  
IN VAIN. OVERCOME,  
THE BOYS ARE  
CARRIED TO AN  
OLD OBSERVATION  
BALLOON, PART  
OF THE HISTORICAL  
EXHIBIT.

HEAVE THOSE WISE GUYS  
INTO THE BASKET!



**D**OC SLASHES  
THE MOORING  
ROPES.

THEY HAD A GOOD  
CHANCE TO LOOK US  
OVER, BUT THEY WON'T  
LIVE TO IDENTIFY US!





THERE THEY GO!  
THIS WIND IS  
GROWING TO A  
GALE WHICH'LL  
CRACK 'EM UP  
FOR SURE!

SWISH-H-  
SWE-E-E-

C'MON, DOC, GET  
IN THE CAR!  
THIS TERRITORY  
AIN'T GONNA BE  
HEALTHY MUCH  
LONGER!

OLD OBSERVATION  
BALLOON

AS THE BALLOON RISES INTO THE AIR,  
DICK GOES INTO  
ACTION!

G-GOSH, DICK!  
DO YOU THINK WE'LL  
BE KILLED?

NOT IF I USE THIS  
LANDING ROPE RIGHT!

THE  
STRONG  
WIND CARRIES  
THE BALLOON  
OVER THE CAR  
WHICH IS  
SPEEDING DOC  
AND HIS PAL  
AWAY FROM  
FARR.

HURRY!  
WE'RE  
RISING FAST!

IF I CAN ONLY HOOK THAT BAGGAGE  
RACK ON TOP OF THEIR WAGON...

HURRAY!  
YOU HOOKED  
IT, DICK!

CLANG!

GEE, DICK, THEY'LL KILL  
US WHEN THEY FIND OUT  
WE'RE TRAILING 'EM!

WE'RE SAFE NOW, SO  
WE'LL HEAD FOR THE  
HIDE-OUT!

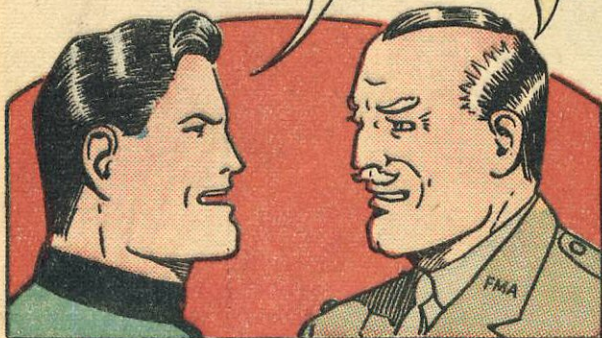
UNAWARE THAT THE CADETS  
ARE HITCHING A RIDE IN A  
MOST UNUSUAL MANNER, THE  
CROOKS SPEED ON THEIR WAY-



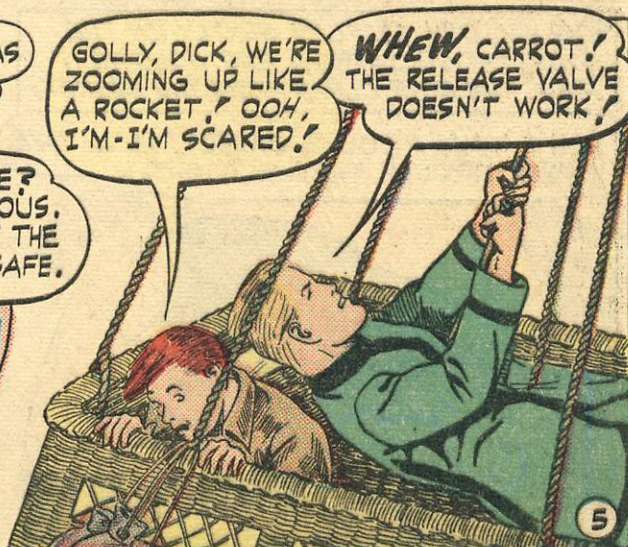
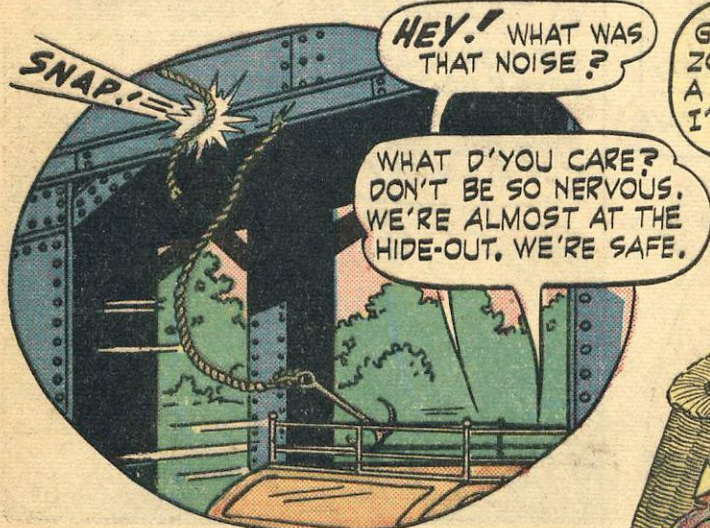
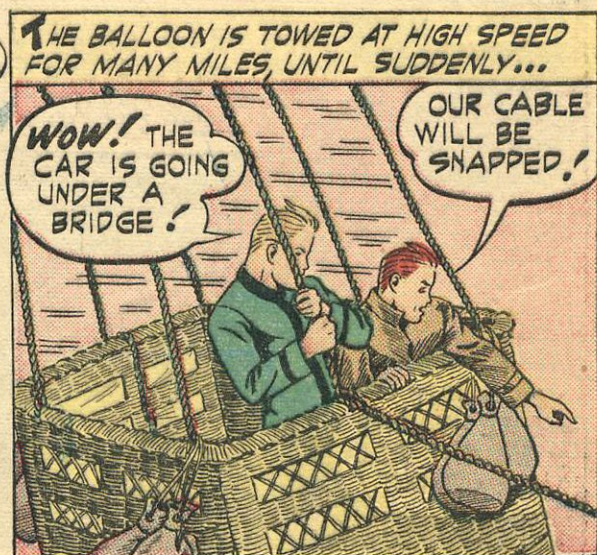
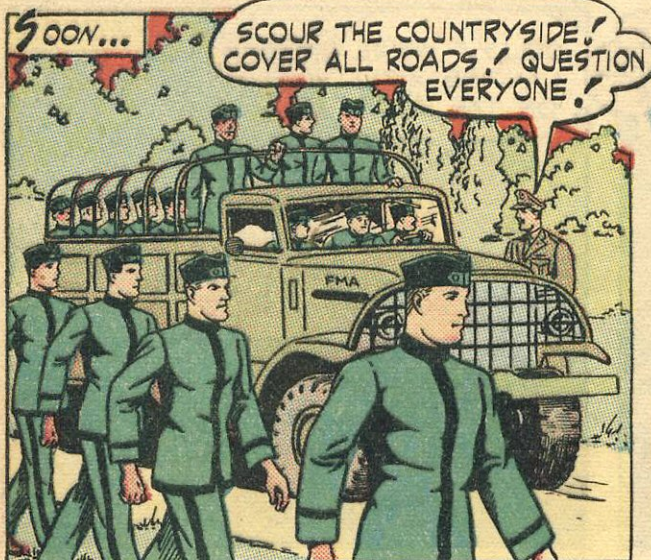
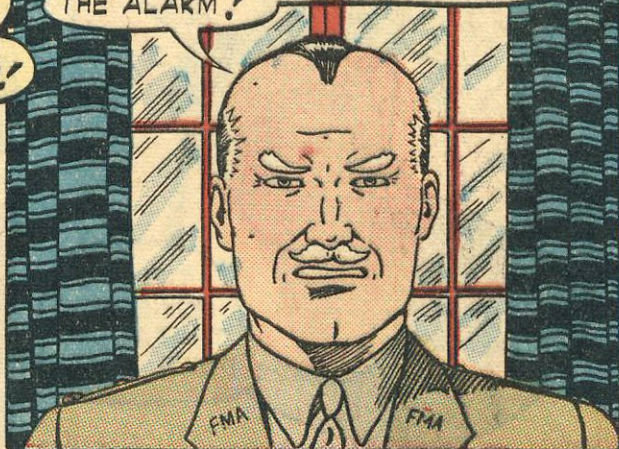
**MEANWHILE, BARK HALL REPORTS THE THEFT OF THE DOCUMENT TO MAJOR FARR.**

I DON'T KNOW JUST WHAT HAPPENED TO COLE, BUT **THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE IS GONE!**

**WHAT! WHY... OUTRAGEOUS! INFAMOUS! A DASTARDLY DEED!**

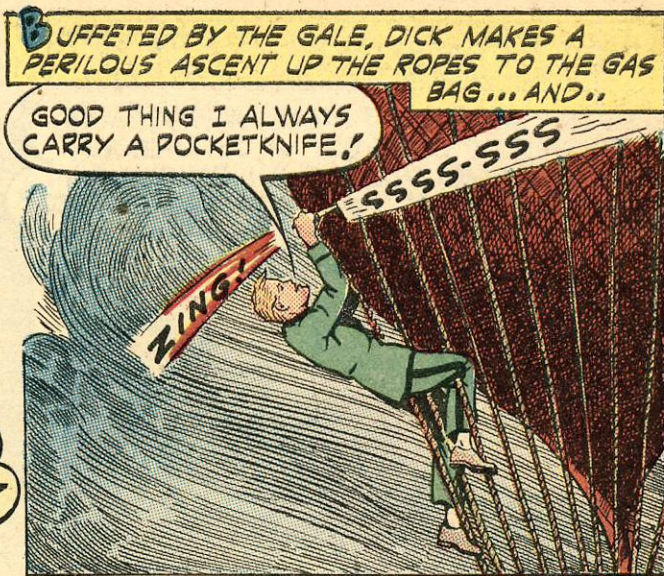


**FOR THE HONOR OF FARR AND OUR COUNTRY WE MUST GET IT BACK! WE'LL PUT EVERY MAN IN SCHOOL ON THE JOB! SOUND THE ALARM!**

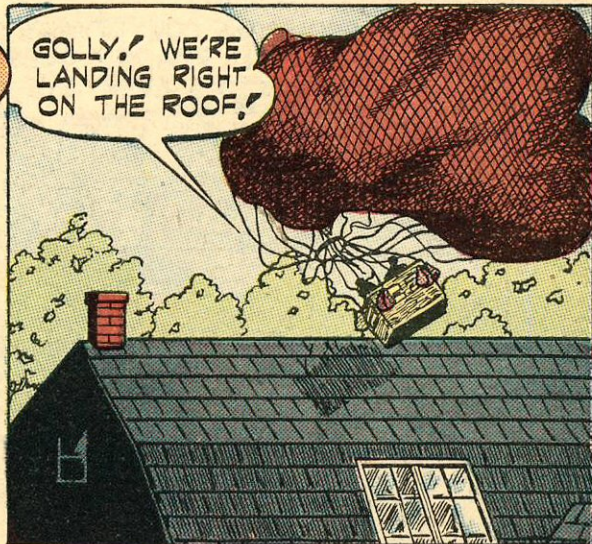
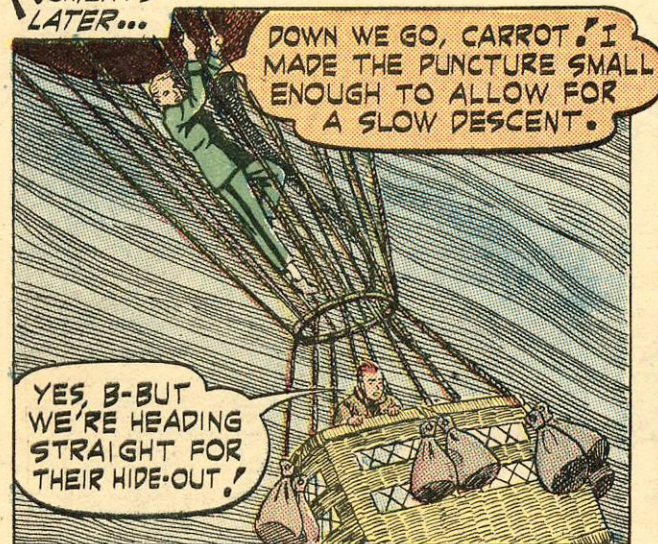


**Q 2 What other meaning has the word scour shown in picture 3?**



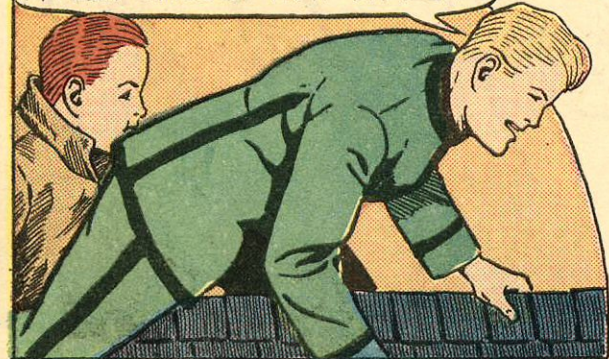


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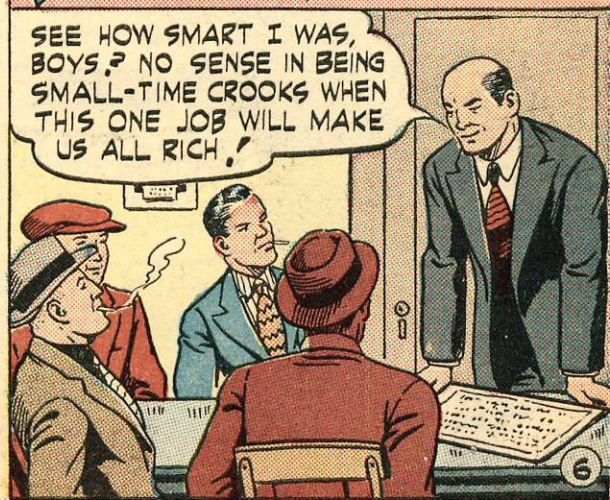


THE BALLOON SETTLES GENTLY ON THE ROOF, THE COLLAPSED BAG HOLDING IT FIRM. THE BOYS CLIMB FROM THE BASKET.

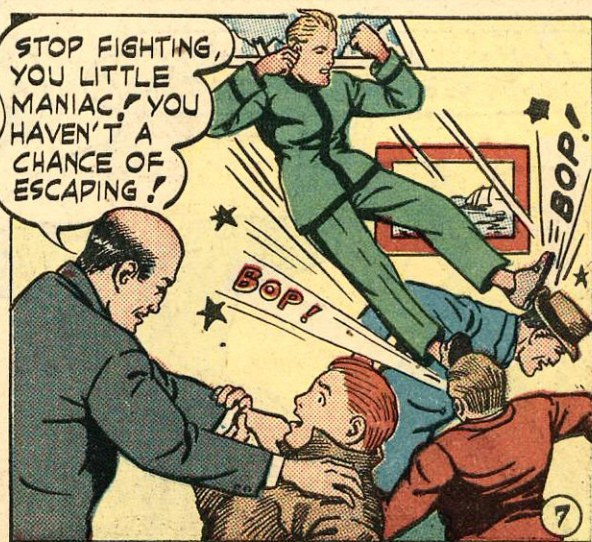
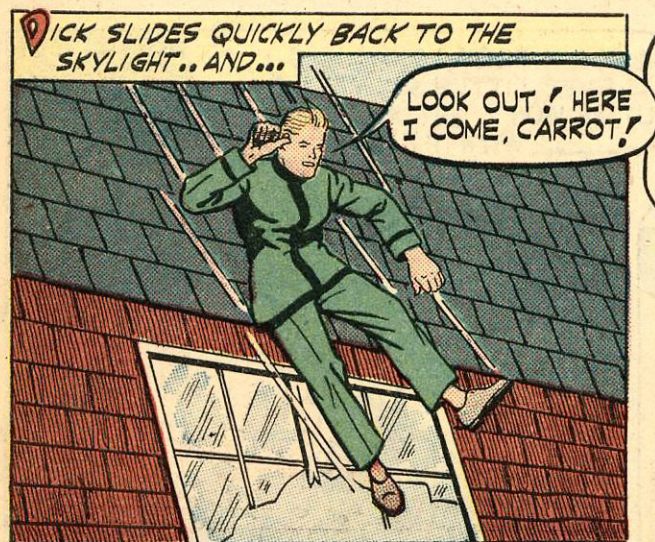
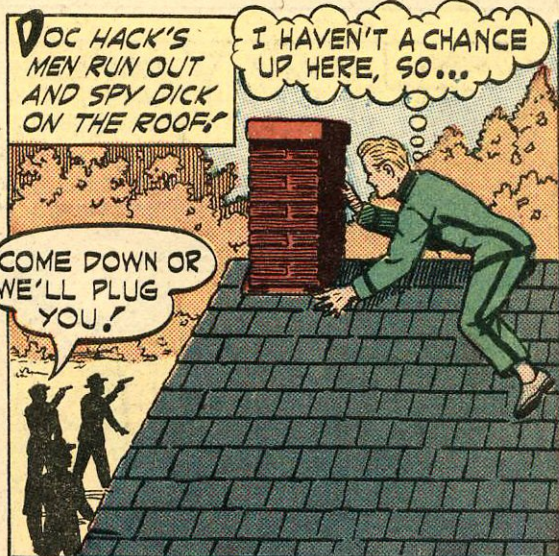
DON'T MAKE A SOUND, CARROT! WE'LL TAKE A PEEK THROUGH THAT SKYLIGHT.



IN THE ROOM BELOW, THE CADETS SEE...

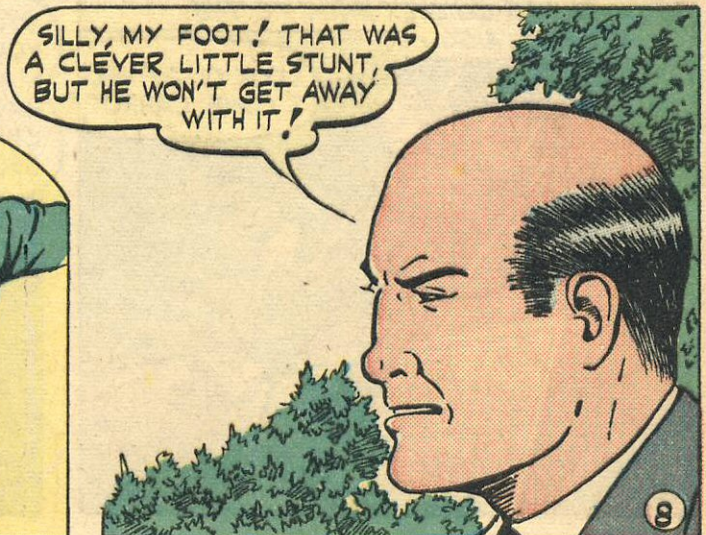
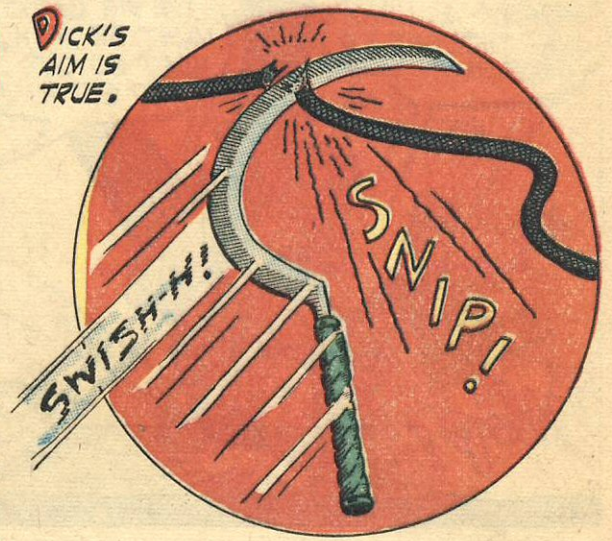
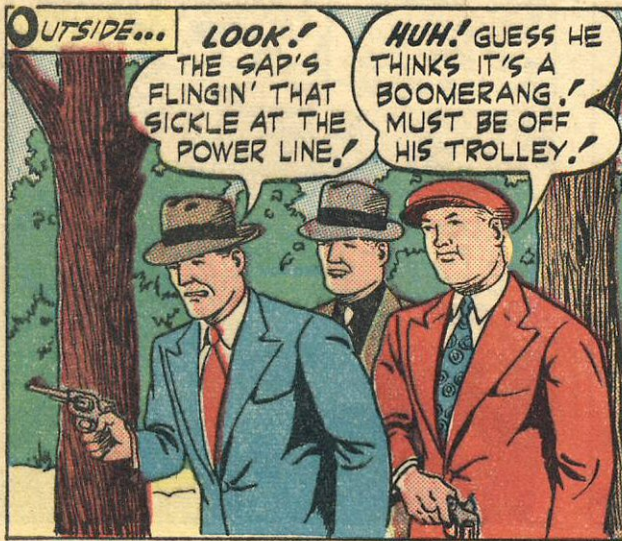
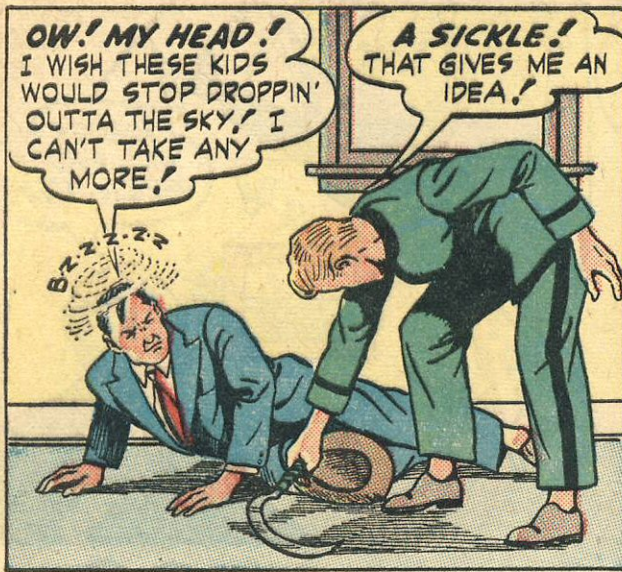




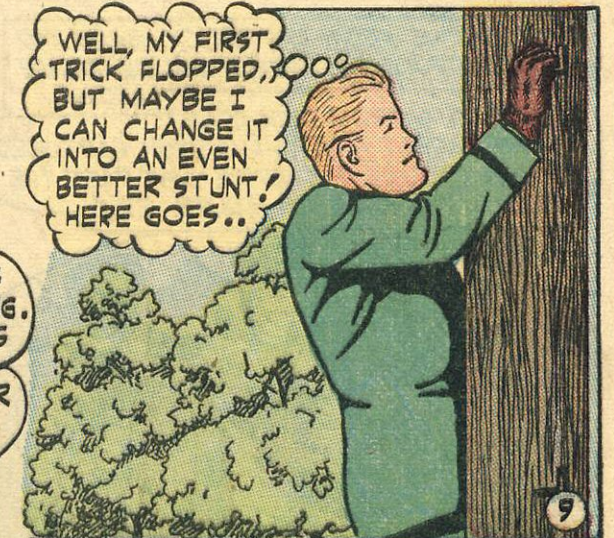
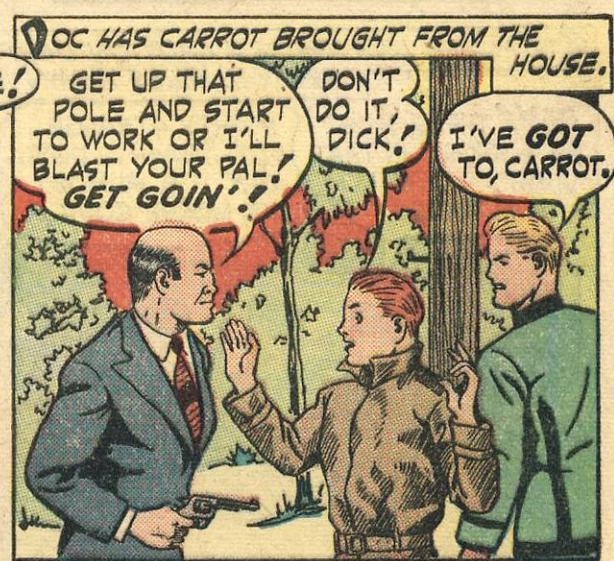
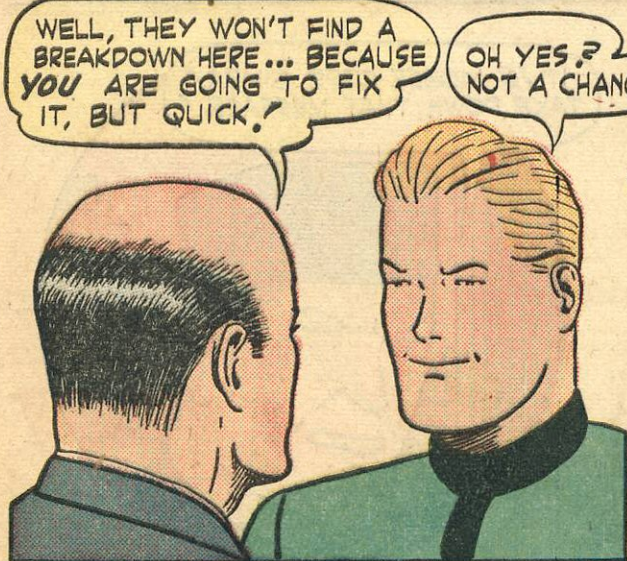
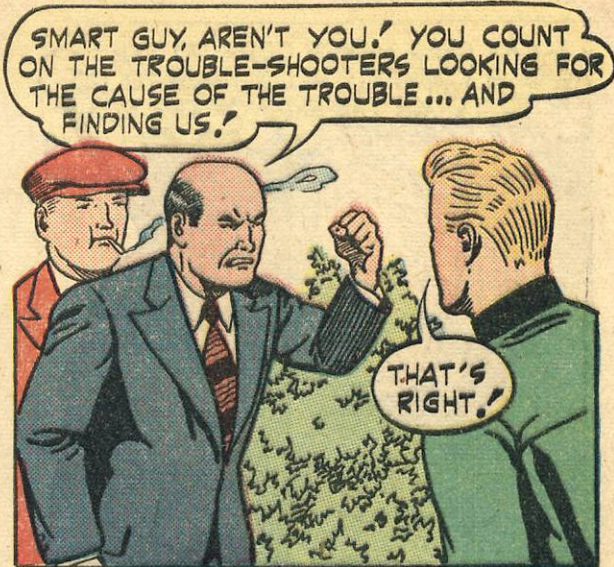
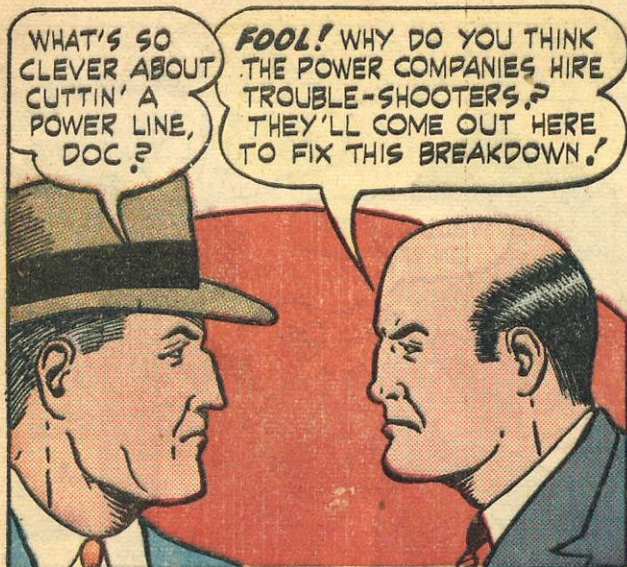


Q 3 The Easter bunny and rabbits have a great liking for what vegetable? Hint above!



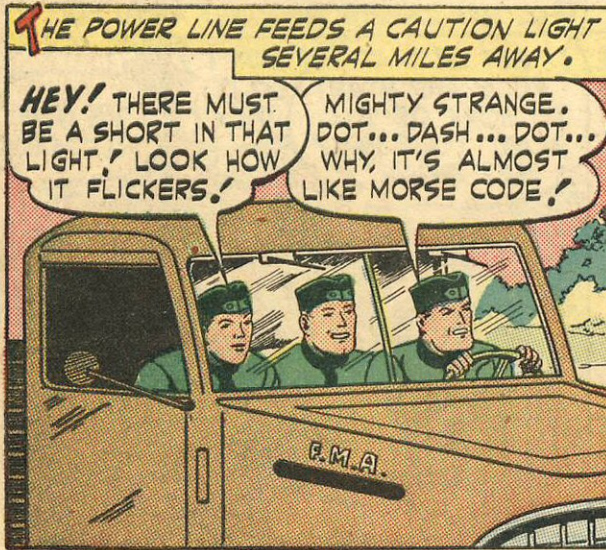
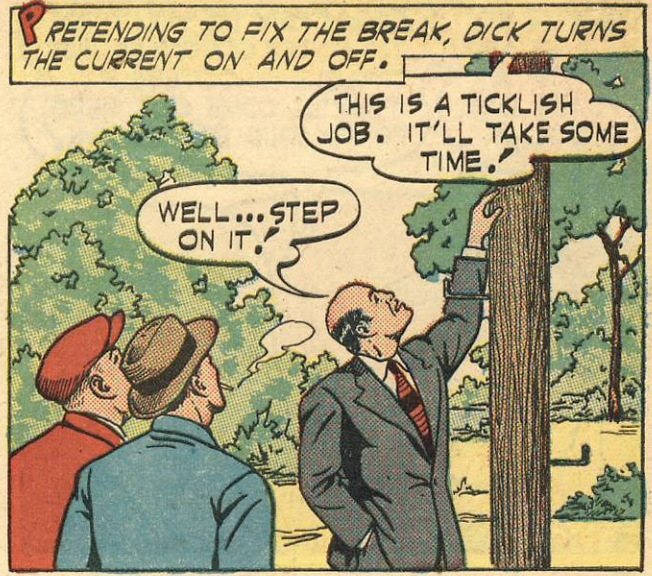






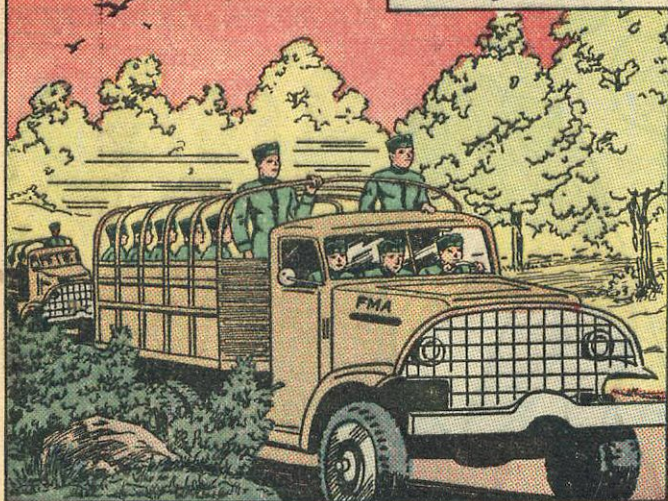
Q 4 What purpose do the rubber gloves serve in this story?





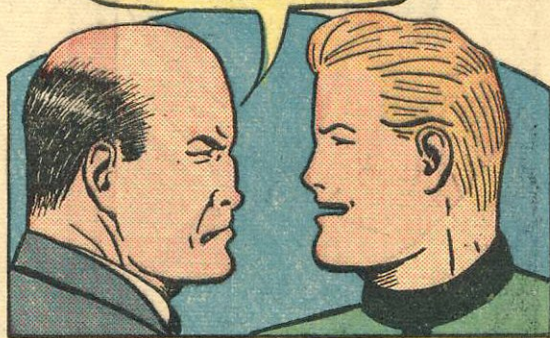


THE AROUSED FARR CADETS SPEED TOWARD THE CROOKS' HIDE-OUT.

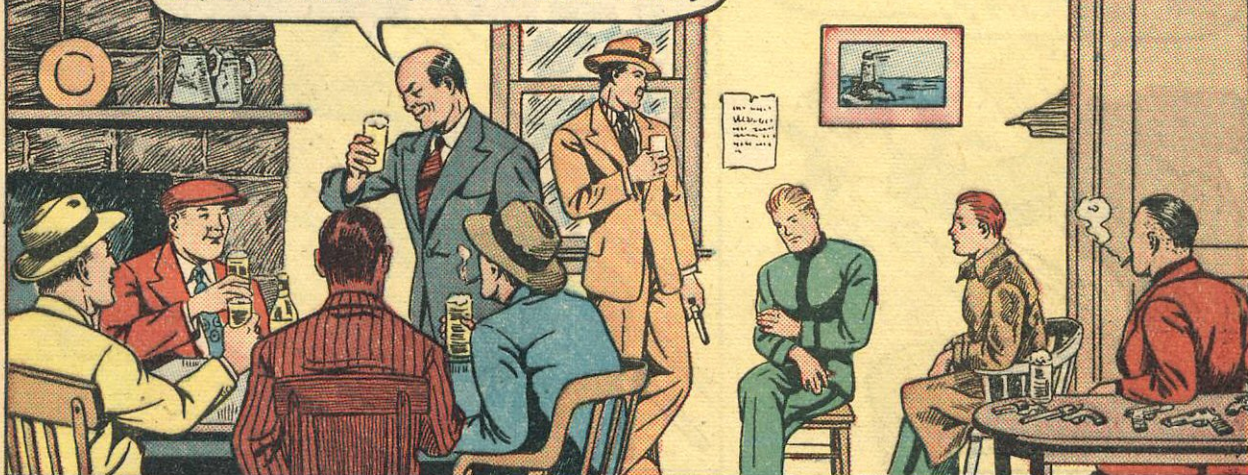


MEANWHILE, DICK HAS REPAIRED THE POWER LINE, AND DESCENDS THE POLE.

H'MPH! YOU SURE DAWDLED, HOPING, I SUPPOSE, THAT SOME OF YOUR PALS WOULD COME ALONG AND SPOT YOU! BUT THERE'S NO CHANCE OF THAT! G'WAN, GET INSIDE.



INSIDE... HAPPY DAYS! THIS IS THE EASIEST MILLION BUCKS I EVER MADE!



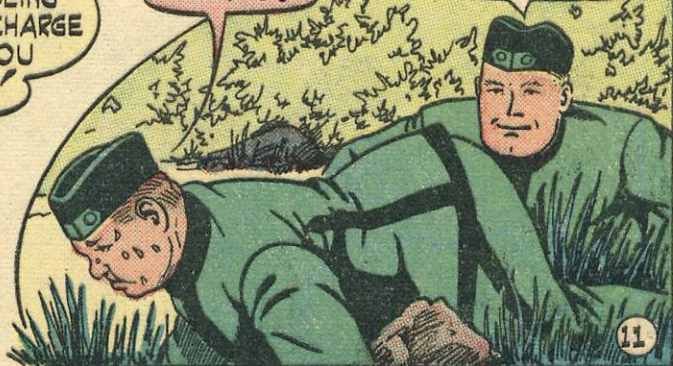
AT THIS MOMENT, NEAR THE RAILROAD BRIDGE, BARK HALL BRIEFS HIS MEN.



SURROUND THE HOUSE. ADVANCE AS FAR AS YOU CAN WITHOUT BEING SEEN. DON'T CHARGE TILL I GIVE YOU THE SIGNAL!

SOON... WHEN! IT'S SURE TOUGH CRAWLIN' ON YOUR STOMACH WHEN IT'S SO BIG!

THAT'S NOT ALL THAT'S BIG! GET THAT LANDMARK DOWN, EDDIE!





**B**UT EDDIE BROWN  
GETS DOWN TOO  
LATE!

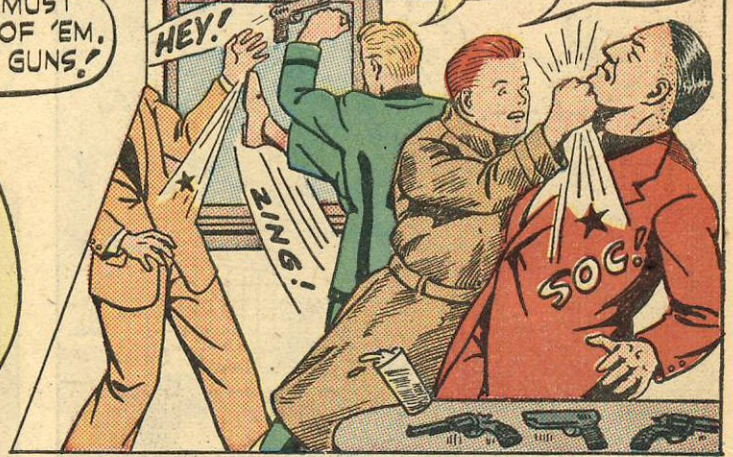
**HEY!** THERE'S A  
CADET OUT IN THAT  
FIELD! CREEPIN'  
THIS WAY! MUST  
BE MORE OF 'EM.  
GRAB THE GUNS!

**SOCK HIM, CARROT!**  
GET THOSE GUNS FIRST OR  
THERE'LL BE A SLAUGHTER!

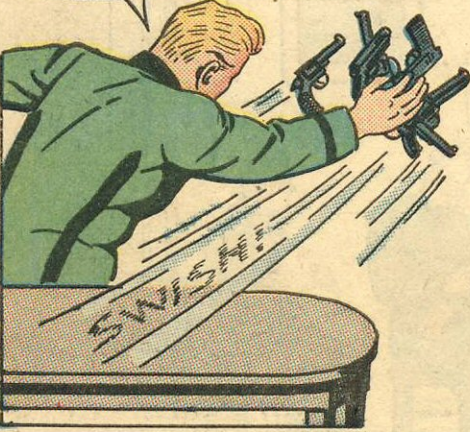
**KEEP AWAY  
FROM THOSE  
GUNS!**



**DICK  
SWEEPS  
THE GUNS  
FROM THE TABLE.**

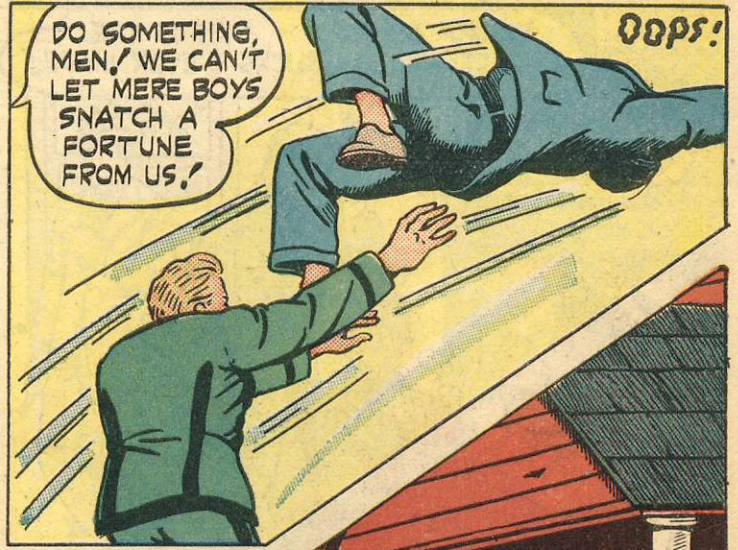


**HERE, CARROT!** PITCH THESE  
OUT THE WINDOW WHILE I HOLD  
OFF THESE GUYS!



**DO SOMETHING,  
MEN! WE CAN'T  
LET MERE BOYS  
SNATCH A  
FORTUNE  
FROM US!**

**OOOPS!**



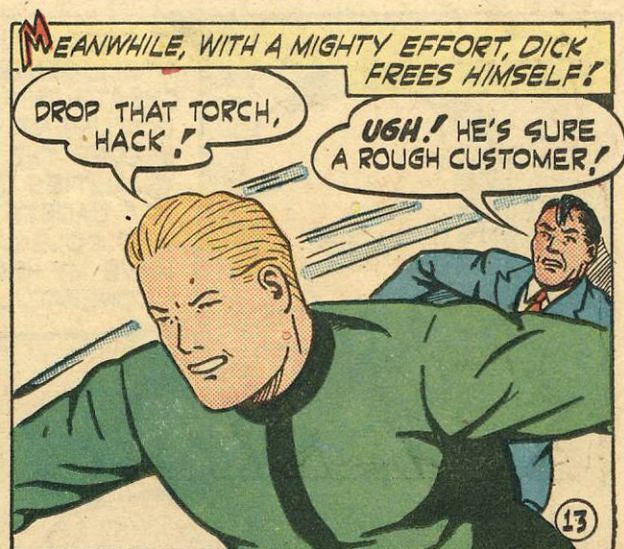
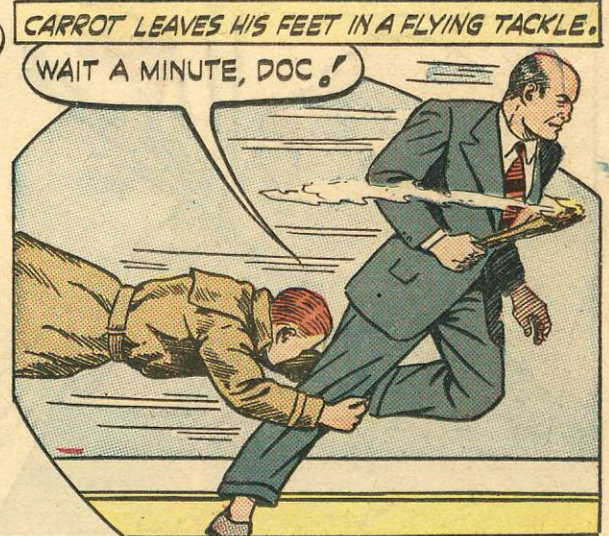
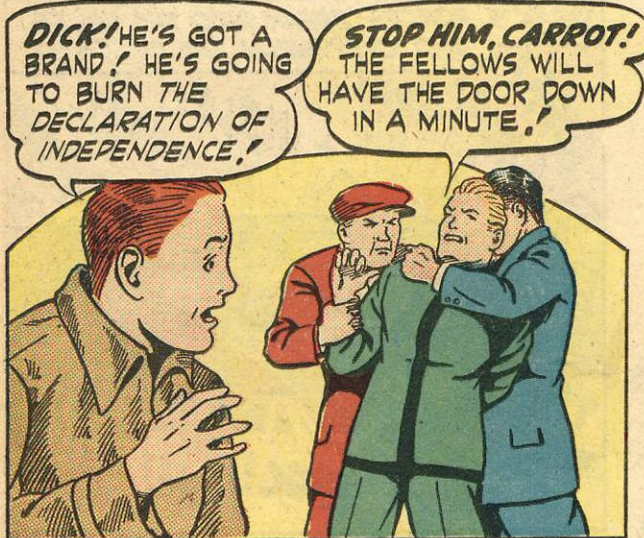
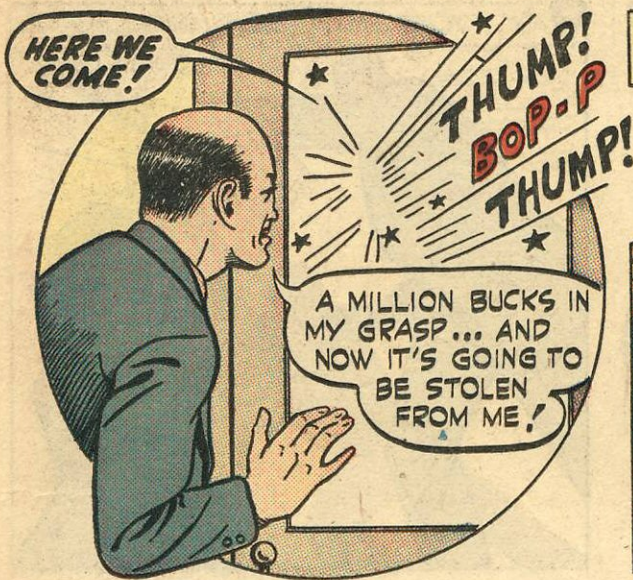
**A**ND OUTSIDE, BARK GIVES AN ORDER!



**CHARGE!**

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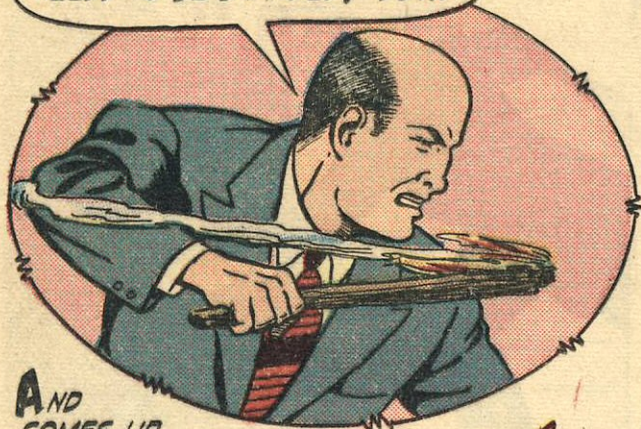






**J**ERKING FREE FROM CARROT, DOC HACK WHIRLS TO MEET THE CHARGING CADET.

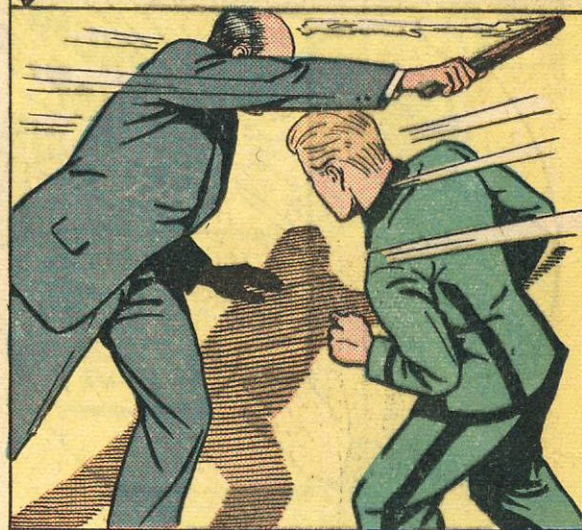
A WILD YOUNG STEER LIKE YOU NEEDS TO BE BRANDED, SO...



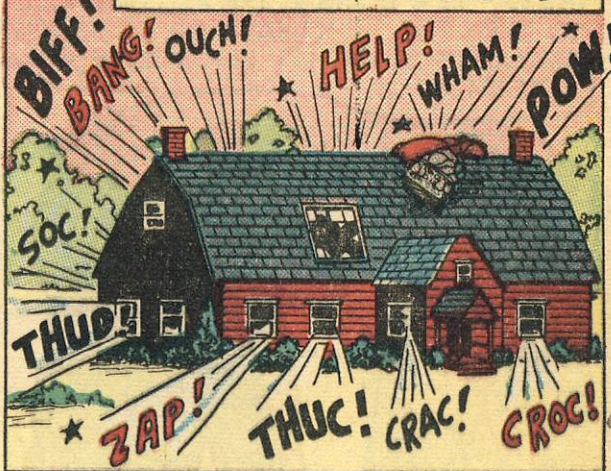
**A**ND COMES UP WITH A HAYMAKER.



**P**ICK DUCKS UNDER THE FLAMING BRAND.

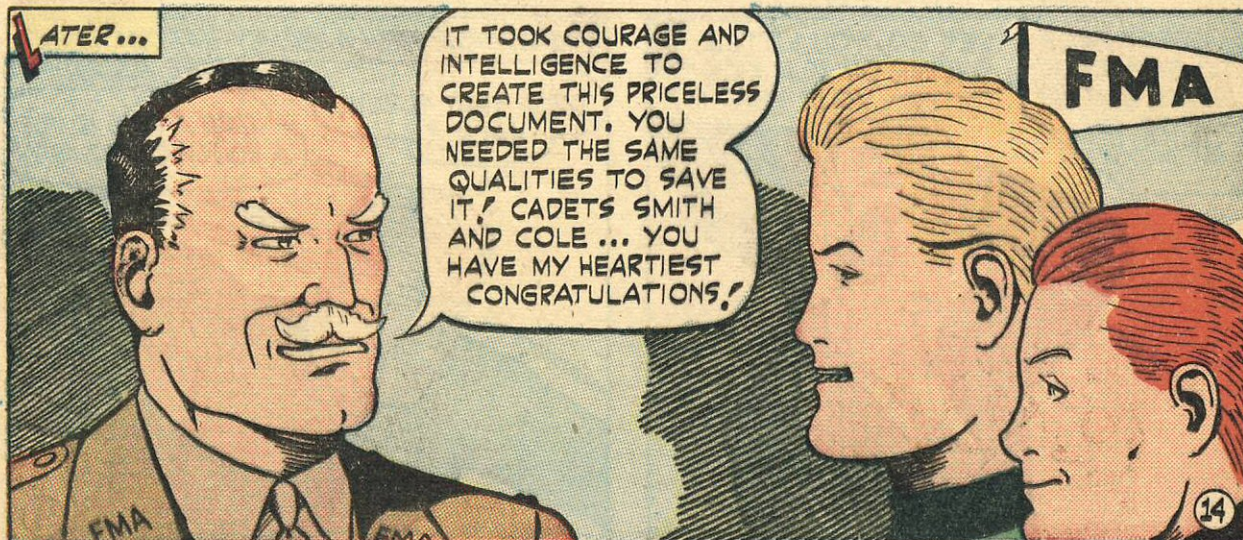


**B**ARK'S FORCES BREAK INTO THE HOUSE AND OVERWHELM THE CROOKS!



**L**ATER...

IT TOOK COURAGE AND INTELLIGENCE TO CREATE THIS PRICELESS DOCUMENT. YOU NEEDED THE SAME QUALITIES TO SAVE IT, CADETS SMITH AND COLE ... YOU HAVE MY HEARTIEST CONGRATULATIONS!



A 6 Carrot's flying tackle would bring a 5-yard penalty in football.



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NOPE - I NEVER TAKE  
MY HAT OFF FOR  
ANYONE !!

OH, NO - THEN  
HOW DO YOU GET  
YOUR HAIR CUT?

WHAT D'YA MEAN  
I'VE GOT A FILM  
BRAIN??

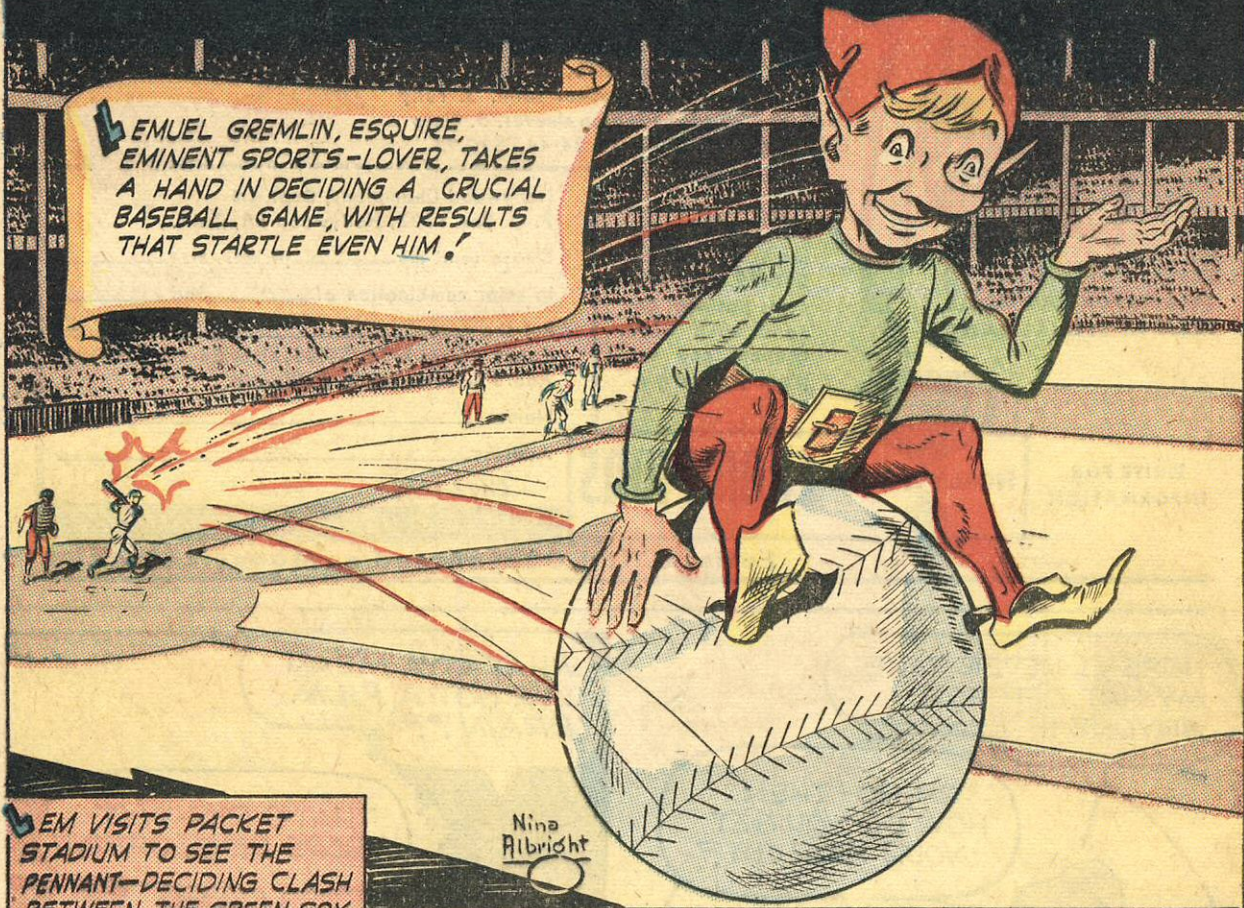
THAT'S RIGHT! IT  
NEEDS DEVELOPING!!

HAMMER



# THE GREMLIN

EMUEL GREMLIN, ESQUIRE, EMINENT SPORTS-LOVER, TAKES A HAND IN DECIDING A CRUCIAL BASEBALL GAME, WITH RESULTS THAT STARTLE EVEN HIM.



EM VISITS PACKET STADIUM TO SEE THE PENNANT-DECIDING CLASH BETWEEN THE GREEN SOX AND THE PANTHERS.

O TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALL GAME ... DUM..DE.. DUMTIDDY-DUM ...



GUESS I'LL STAY IN THE PRESS BOX... IT'S GOT A SWELL VIEW, PLUS INSIDE DOPE FROM THE LADS IN THE KNOW.



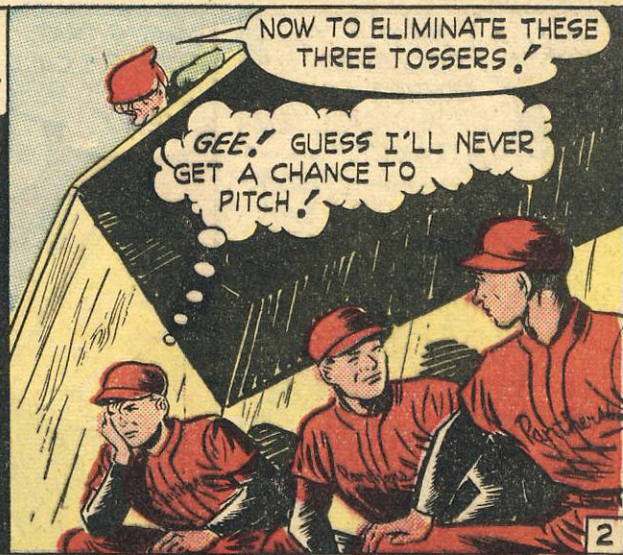
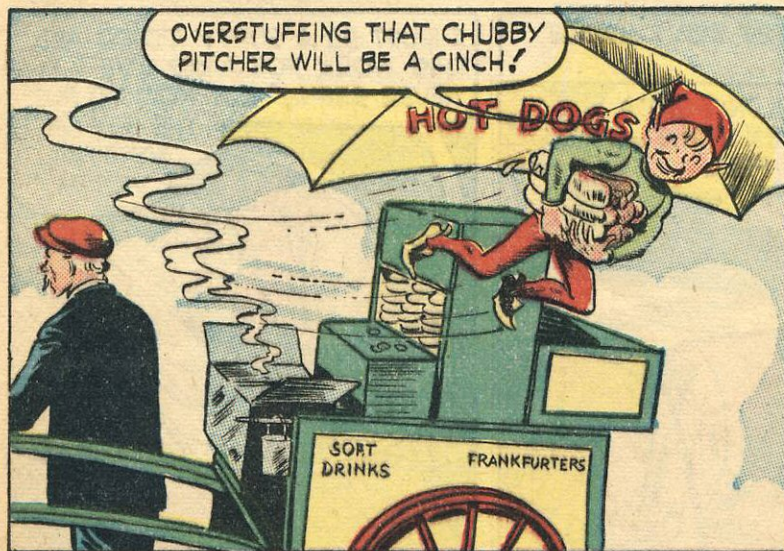
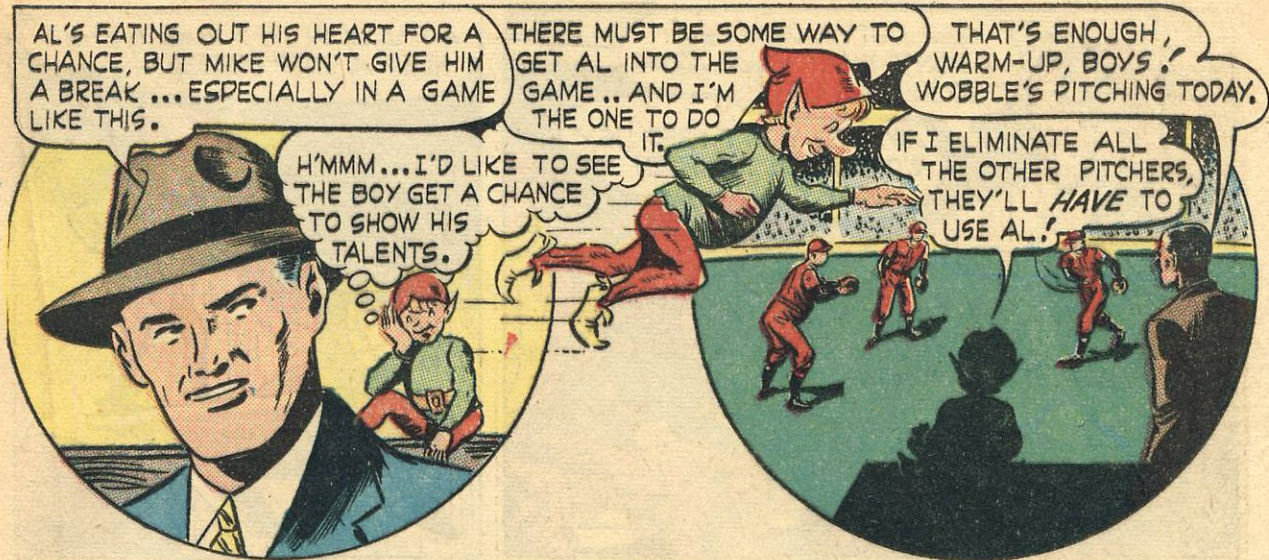
I HEAR MIKE MEEGAN'S ABOUT TO FIRE THE PANTHERS' MASCOT.

THE KID'S BEEN WITH 'EM FOR YEARS, AND NOW HE WANTS TO PITCH.

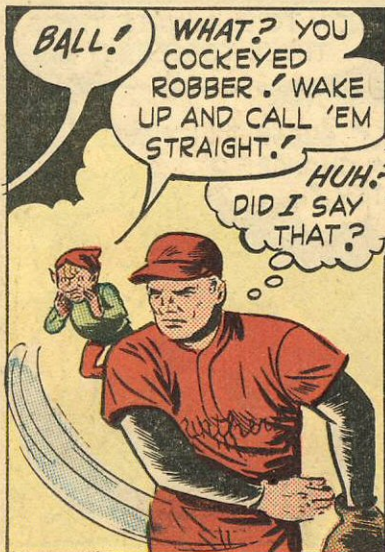
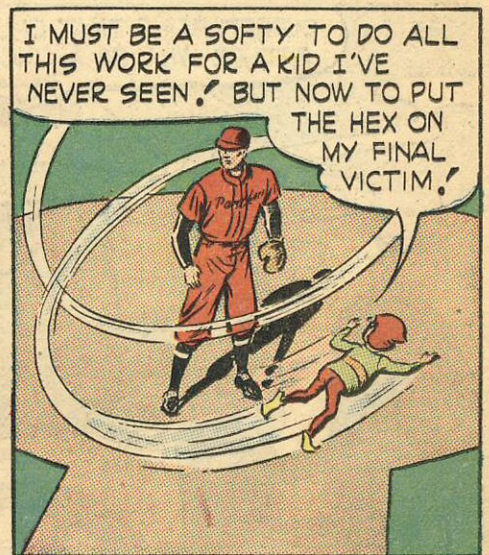
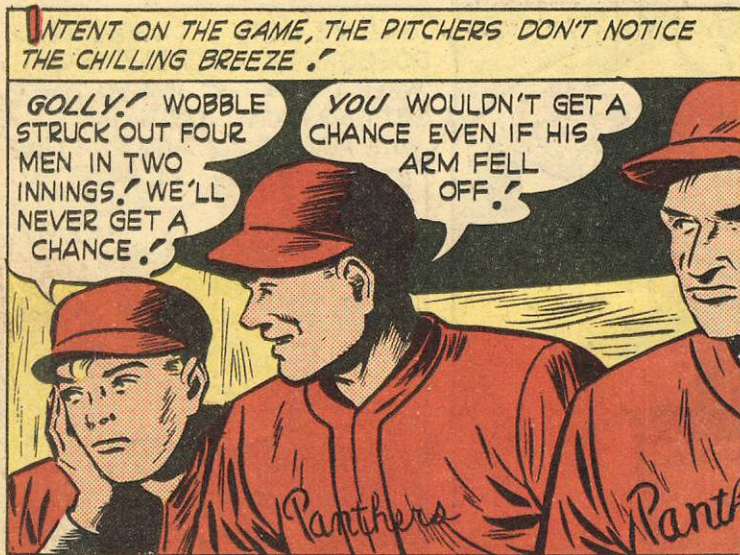
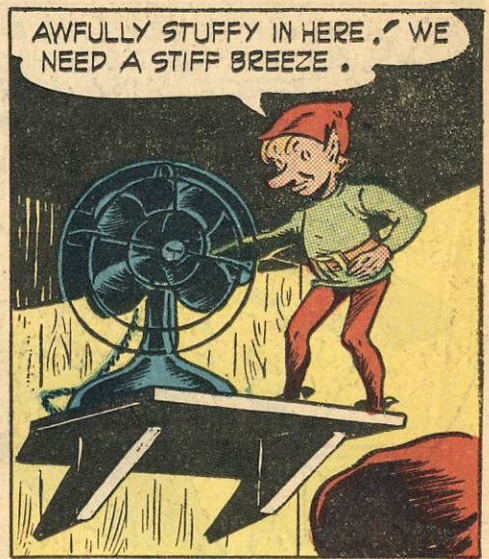


YOU MEAN AL WRIGHT? HE LOOKS PRETTY GOOD TOSSIN' THEM UP IN BATTING PRACTICE.

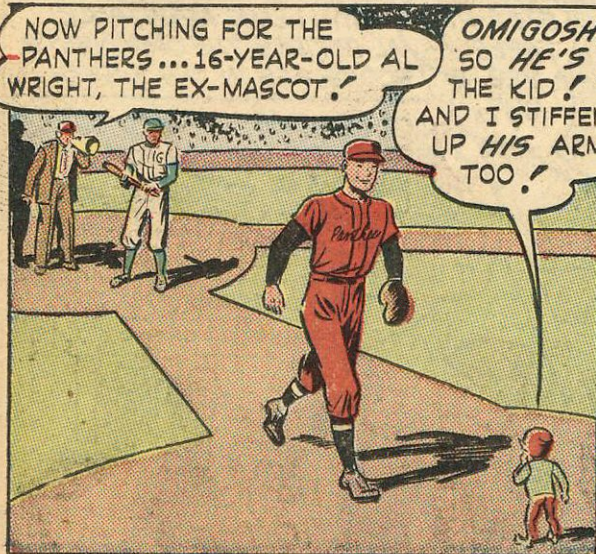
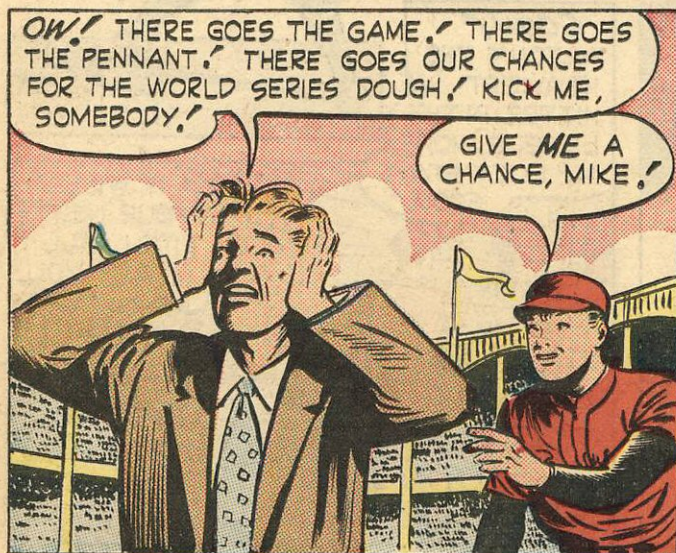
















MY STEAM IS GONE! FULTON WILL BELT THAT PITCH OUT OF THE LOT!

HUH! I'LL TAKE CARE OF FULTON!



OH, BOY! I'LL MURDER THIS... HEY! LEGGO MY BAT!

STREE-RIKE!



MIGHTY PECULIAR! BUT I'LL REALLY BASH THE NEXT ONE.

NO MORE BASHING TODAY MY BOY! LEMUEL GREMLIN, ESQUIRE, IS PLAYING WITH THE PANTHERS!



HEE-HEE! CUT IT OUT! STOP TICKLIN'!

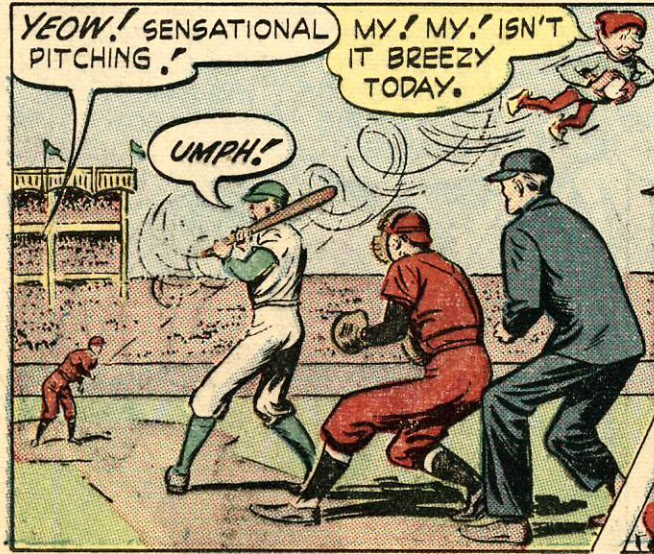
KITCHY-KITCHY-KOO!



GOSH! FULTON'S THE HEAVIEST HITTER IN THE LEAGUE. HOPE MY LUCK STAYS GOOD!



IT WILL! YOUR NEXT PITCH WILL AMAZE YOU!



YEOW! SENSATIONAL PITCHING!

MY! MY! ISN'T IT BREEZY TODAY.

UMPH!

STEE-RIKE THREE! YER OUT.

WITH LEM'S ASSISTANCE, AL RETIRES THE OPPONENT'S SCORELESS IN THE EIGHTH.

NICE GOIN', KID! KEEP IT UP! MAYBE THIS AIN'T THE FLASH IN THE PAN I THOUGHT IT WAS!

I SURE AM HAPPY!

	STRIKE					ALL OUT				
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
VISITORS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SEN SOX	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0



BUT A PLOT TO SPOIL AL'S TRIUMPH IS BREWING.

YEAH! I'LL HELP. I GOT PLENTY OF DOUGH ABOUT ALL OF US RIDING ON BEING DISABLED THE SOX! AT ONCE! LET'S GET THE KID OUTTA THE GAME!



SOME PHOTOGRAPHERS WONDER IF THE OUTSIDE, WANNA TAKE PICTURES OF YOU!

BOYS IN THE PRESS BOX ARE GIVING MY PROTEGE DUE ACCLAIM?

C'MON! YOU'RE TOO GOOD! WE WANT THE SOX TO WIN!

GOSH! THAT'S SWELL!

BETTER CHECK UP ON 'EM!



A CONDUCTOR PAL O' MINE IS GONNA TAKE US ALL FOR A NICE RIDE IN THE COUNTRY!

HEY!

EXIT



TO THE END OF THE LINE!

RIGHT! I WON'T STOP FOR PASSENGERS! I BET MY SHIRT ON THIS GAME!



AS THE PANTHERS COME TO BAT IN THE NINTH...

BIGGEST SPORT STORY IN YEARS! THE KID'S A SENSATION!

HA! THIS IS ONE OF MY SMOOTHEST JOBS! AL AND I MAKE A WONDERFUL TEAM!

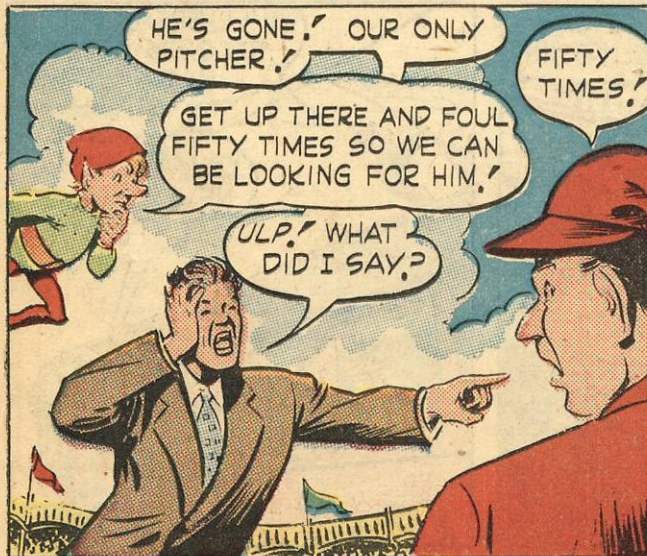


HE'S GONE! OUR ONLY PITCHER!

GET UP THERE AND FOUL FIFTY TIMES SO WE CAN BE LOOKING FOR HIM!

ULP! WHAT DID I SAY?

FIFTY TIMES!



WE'LL PAY FOR YOUR HELP, PAL, SOON AS THE GAME IS ON ICE!

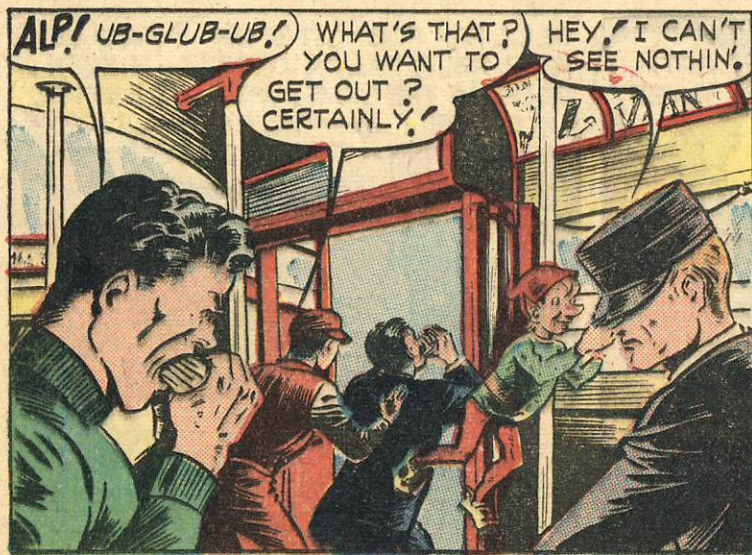
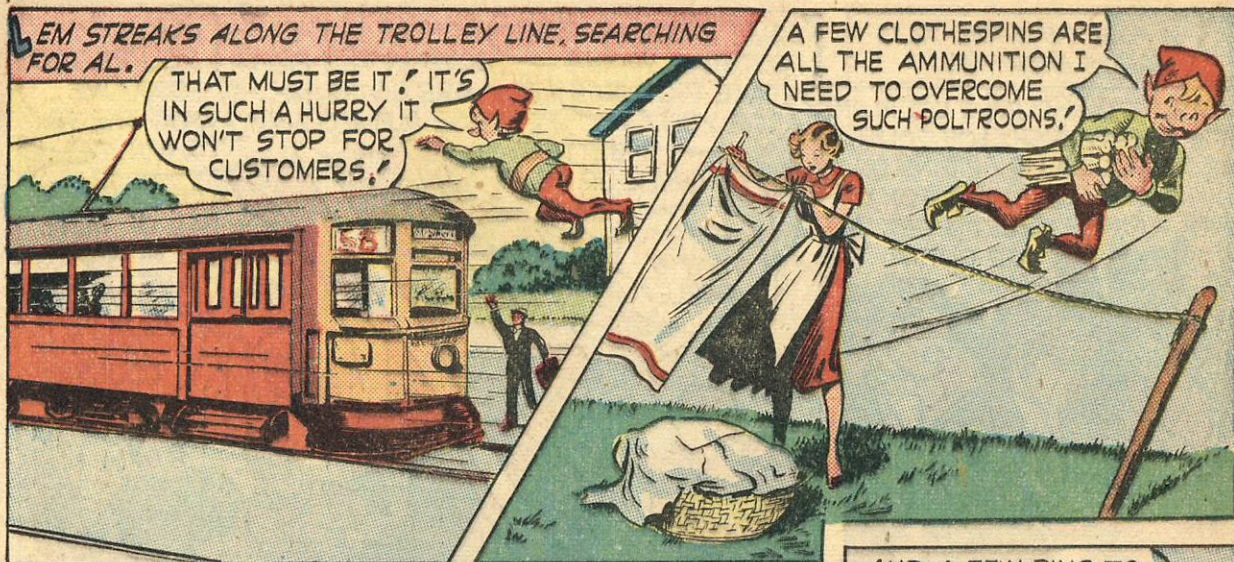
IT'S ON ICE NOW, AL ON THAT TROLLEY!

TROLLEY? MIGOSH, I BETTER HURRY!

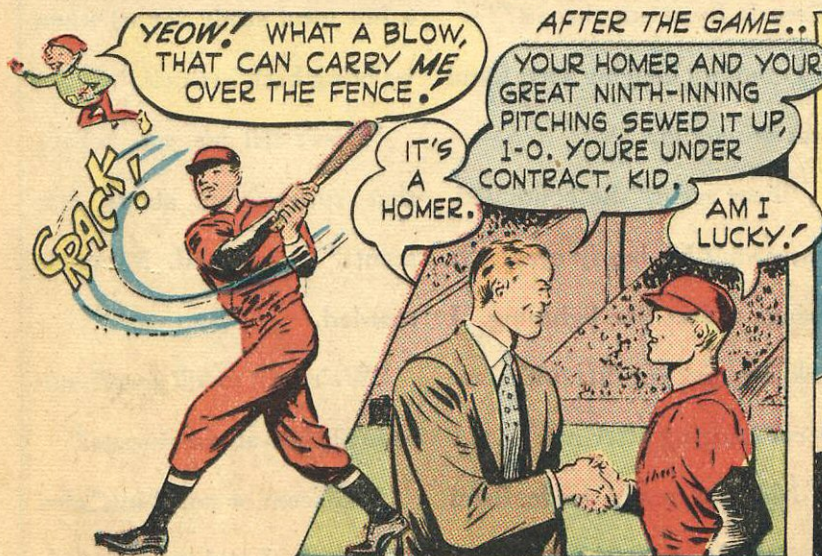
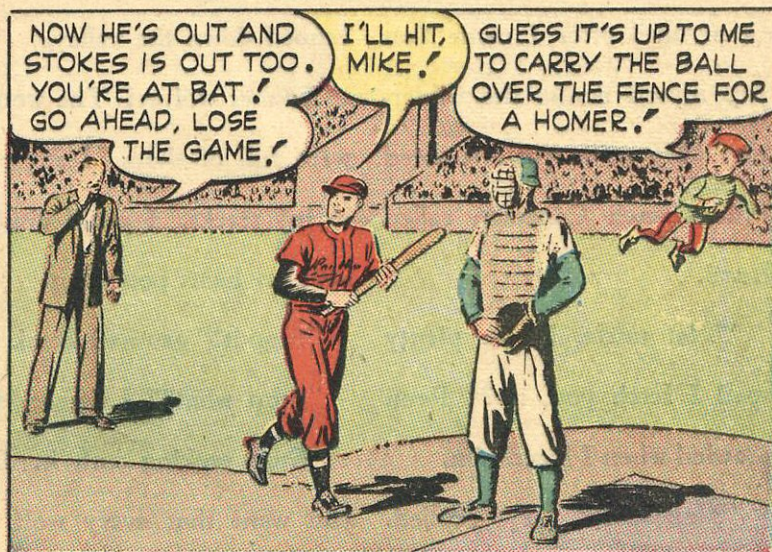
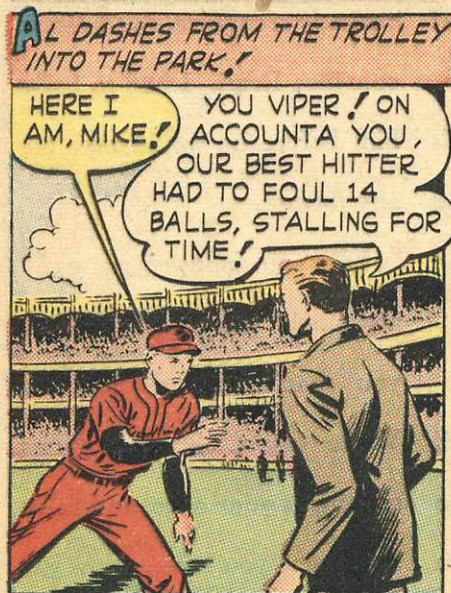
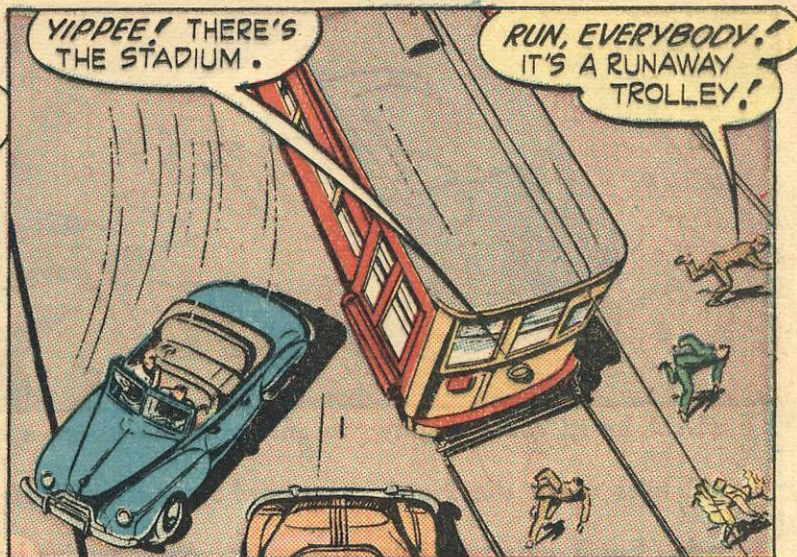


Q 9 In what year did Babe Ruth hit 60 home runs -- a record that has never been topped?













I HAD heard some mighty tall tales about the North Woods. But I didn't believe them until after I made that trip myself across the wilderness. My guide was a wizened little French Canadian called Remi.

to answer my question, a distant howl broke the stillness of the woods. An answering howl echoed down the valley.

Timber wolves! The woods were full of them. I stopped in my tracks. I could almost hear my heart pounding.

"You uncle, he be plenty mad I fetch you, no?" Remi scowled when I hired him.

"Nonsense," I replied. "He'll be glad to get these cartridges he left behind."

But Remi was right. My uncle had flatly refused to take a greenhorn kid like me on the hunting trip. The forgotten cartridges were only my excuse for following him.

"I'm not a greenhorn now, am I?" I boasted, tramping along behind my guide. As if

Timber wolves! The woods were full of them. I stopped in my tracks. I could almost hear my heart pounding.

"Stop it!" growled Remi.

"Stop what?" I demanded.

"Stop reeking with it. Do you want that every wolf in Canada fly at our throats?"

I couldn't imagine what Remi was driving at.

"Fear scent," he continued, narrowing his beady eyes. "It brings wolves like lightning. I will not risk my life with fear scent dogging after me."

My fear really made Remi angry. It was ridiculous, I argued, to believe that a fright-

ened person gives off a peculiar scent which wild animals instantly recognize. But I didn't convince Remi. I had to bribe him before he would take me any farther.

"So you followed us, eh?" my uncle grumbled. "Well, you shan't help us bag the White Ghost. She has fangs as long as your nose, and twice the brains you have. Now get a hot meal ready for us when we bring back her pelt."

"Don't tell me *you* believe that superstition about fear scent!" I exclaimed. My uncle scowled.

"We're out to kill a wolf, not to invite her at our throats."

Fear scent or not, I intended to follow. I did so at a safe distance, after the hunting



party left. But when we reached the rocky crags, I ducked into a cave a moment to keep out of sight.

Several shots rang out. They had sighted the White Ghost, I figured. I was about to emerge when I heard a plaintive whimpering sound. I felt around in the darkness. My hand touched something warm and alive. One, two, three—I counted the small, furry bodies. I felt their faces, noses, ears. Whelps! Whelps of a timber wolf!

They nuzzled close to my hand, glad for its warmth. I could have choked them easily with two fingers. But they didn't fear me, blind and helpless though they were. So I found myself stroking them instead.

Each time a shot rang out, they trembled. And I pitied them. For that shot meant starvation for all of them if it

hit its mark. The men's voices grew fainter. They had missed, I decided, and I was glad.

I started to crawl toward the entrance. Suddenly a shadow appeared in that narrow opening—a huge, white shadow. Long fangs glistened when the head lifted and the sensitive nostrils caught my scent. The whelps whined behind me. The shadow snarled, then crept closer. Now I knew it was the White Ghost, for white wolves are exceedingly rare.

I should have been deathly afraid. To my own astonishment, however, I wasn't. For some preposterous reason, I felt sorry for the White Ghost. She had just escaped crafty human enemies, intent on killing her. Her wit and courage had earned her the right to live.

I began talking to the she-wolf as I would talk to a dog:

"Let me pass, Lady. We're both in a tight spot. I'll not shoot you if you don't harm me. Let's leave each other in peace. What do you say?"

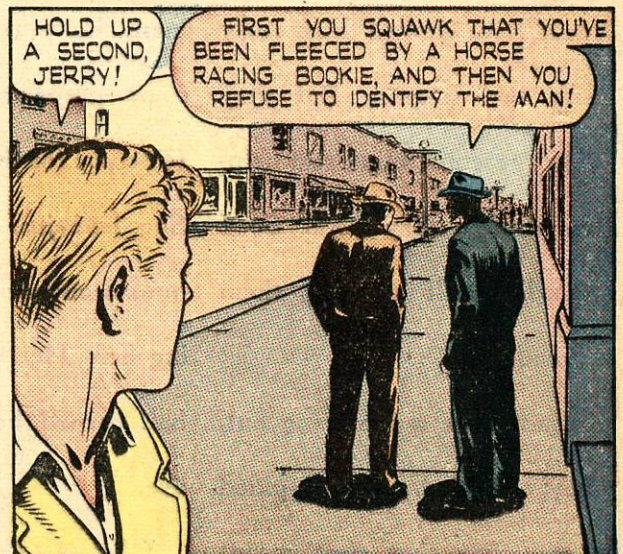
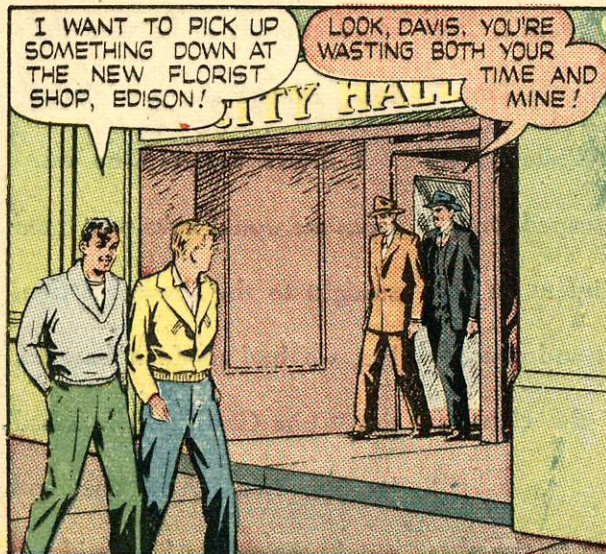
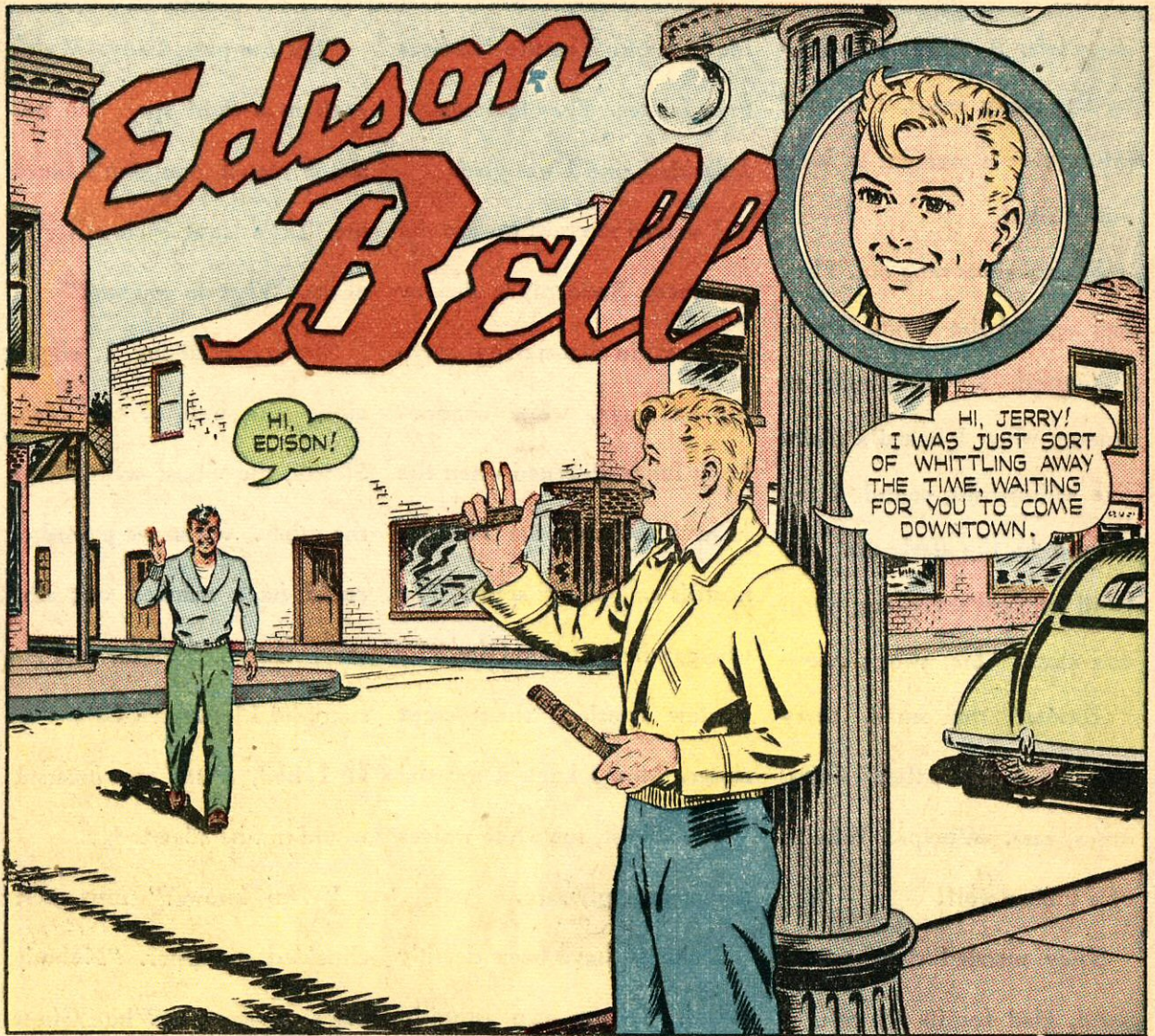
Slowly, steadily, I edged along one wall of the cave. Slowly, the Ghost crept along the other. When we passed, I could have reached out and touched her. Not for one instant did I let myself be afraid. If I had, I am convinced I would not be alive today.

"Who knows?" my uncle chuckled at supper. "Nobody has ever seen the White Ghost close enough to be sure she's real. Maybe she is a ghost!"

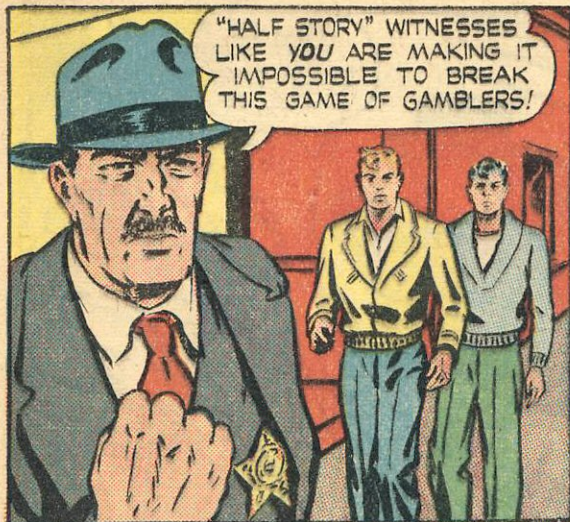
I didn't reply. One word from me would have sent them straight to the she-wolf's den. But we had made a bargain, the White Ghost and I. I had let her live. And she had taught me not to be afraid.

THE END

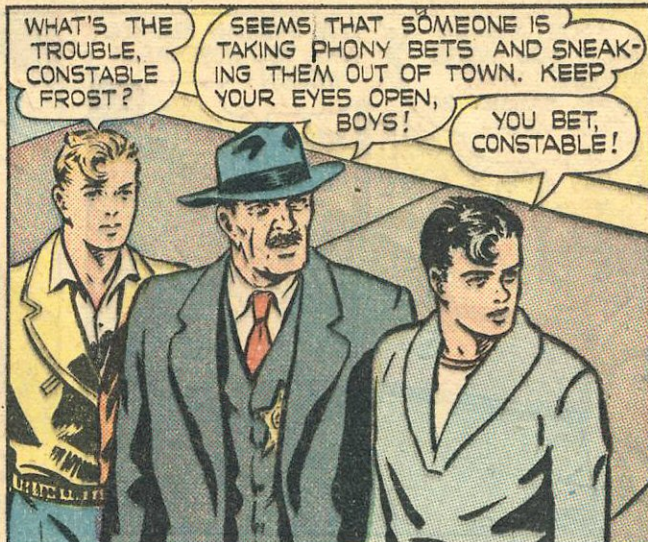








"HALF STORY" WITNESSES  
LIKE YOU ARE MAKING IT  
IMPOSSIBLE TO BREAK  
THIS GAME OF GAMBLERS!



WHAT'S THE  
TROUBLE,  
CONSTABLE  
FROST?

SEEMS THAT SOMEONE IS  
TAKING PHONY BETS AND SNEAK-  
ING THEM OUT OF TOWN. KEEP  
YOUR EYES OPEN,  
BOYS!

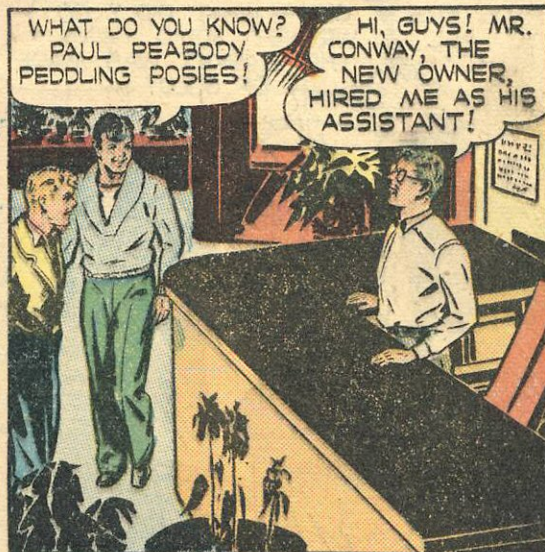
YOU BET,  
CONSTABLE!



A FEW MINUTES LATER --

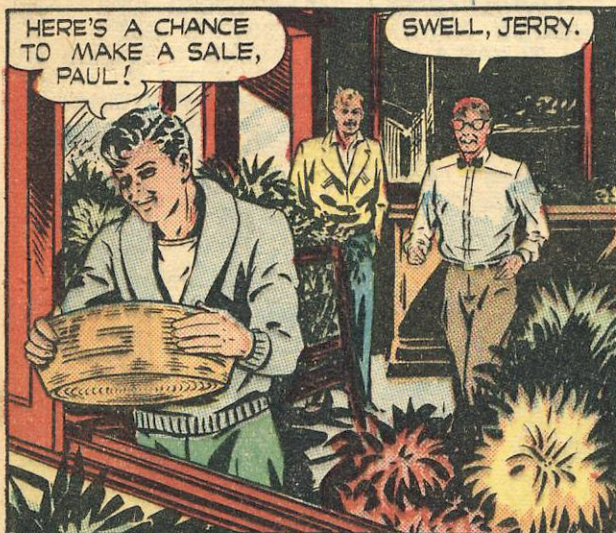
SAY, THIS NEW  
FLOWER SHOP  
IS SUPER!

YEP! THERE'S ONE INDIAN  
BASKET IN THE WINDOW  
I WANT TO BUY FOR MY  
MOM!



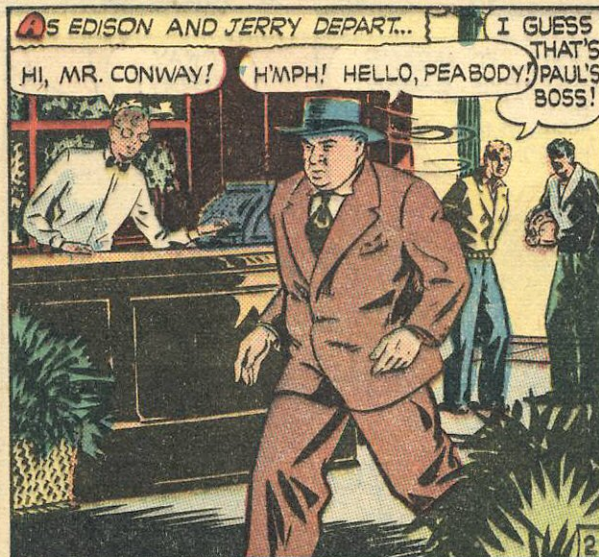
WHAT DO YOU KNOW?  
PAUL PEABODY  
PEDDLING POSIES!

HI, GUYS! MR.  
CONWAY, THE  
NEW OWNER,  
HIRED ME AS HIS  
ASSISTANT!



HERE'S A CHANCE  
TO MAKE A SALE,  
PAUL!

SWELL, JERRY.



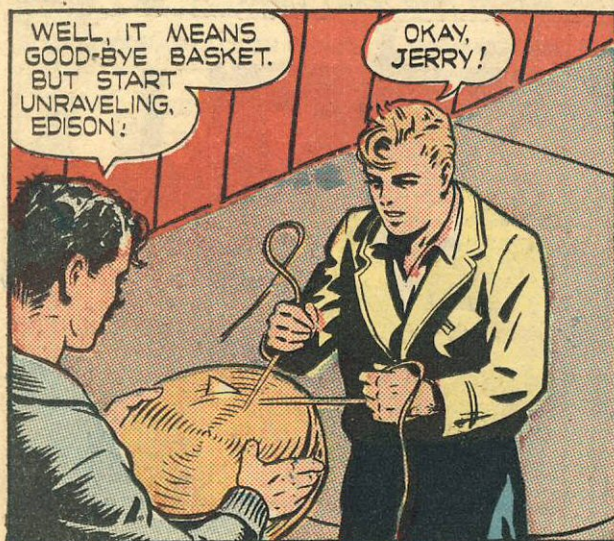
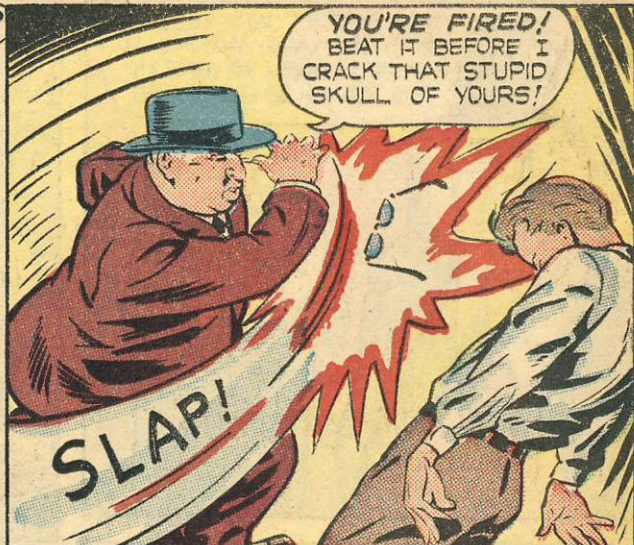
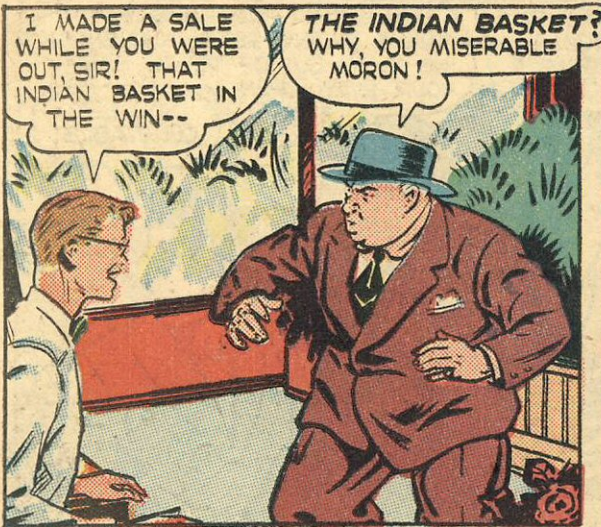
AS EDISON AND JERRY DEPART...

I GUESS  
THAT'S  
PAUL'S  
BOSS!

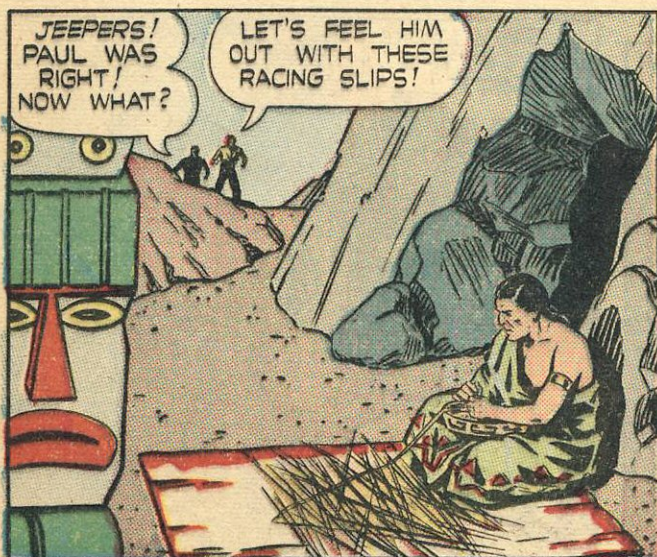
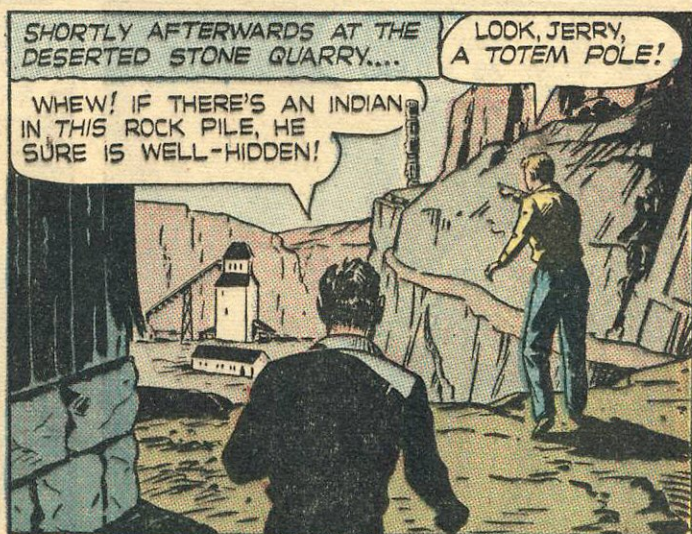
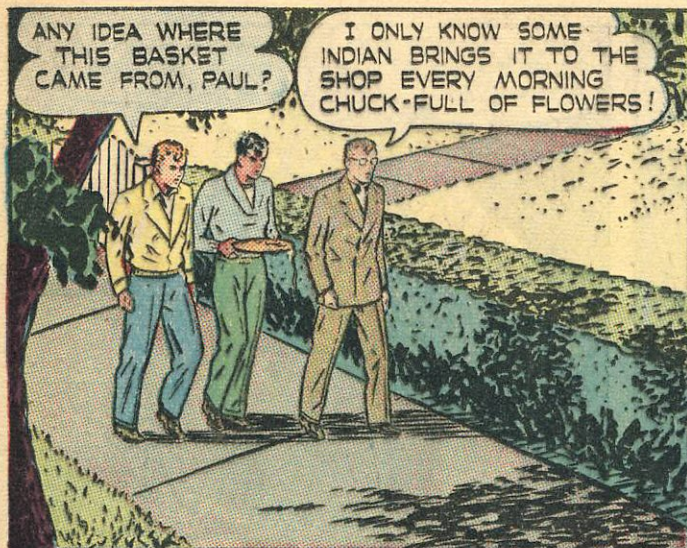
HI, MR. CONWAY!

H'MPH! HELLO, PEABODY!

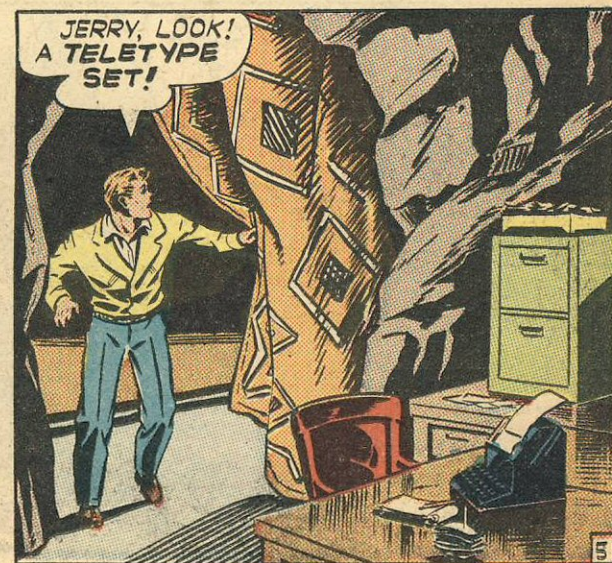
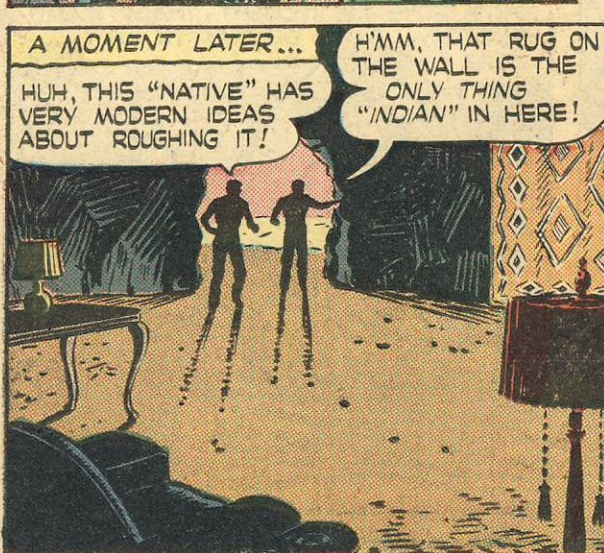
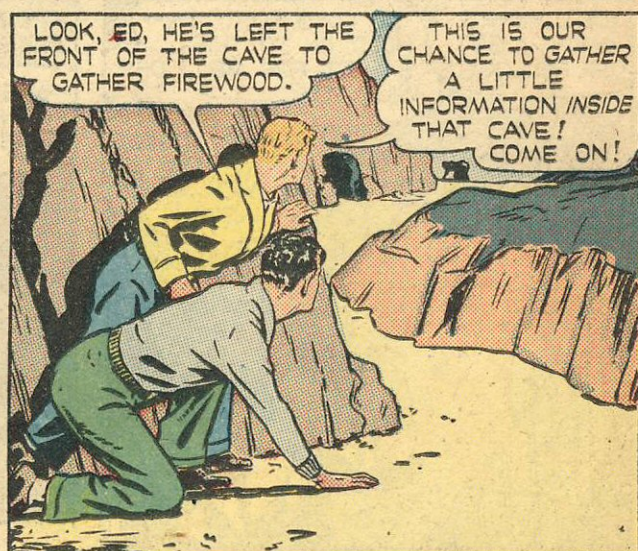




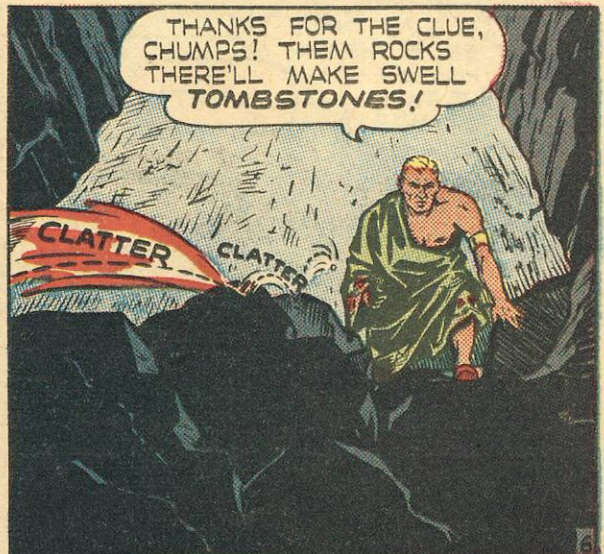
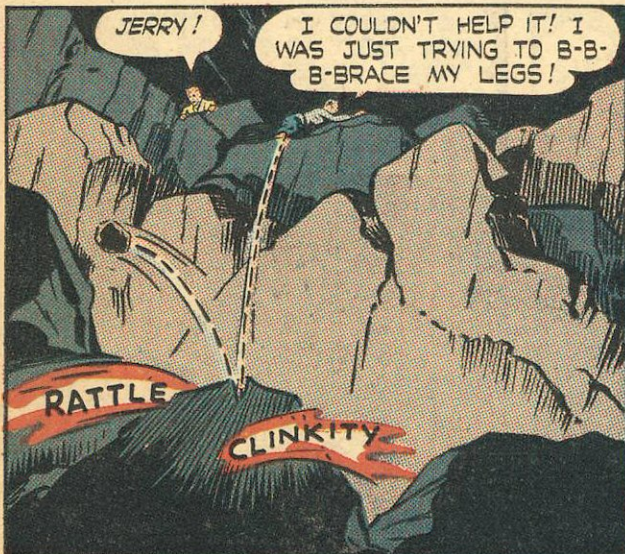
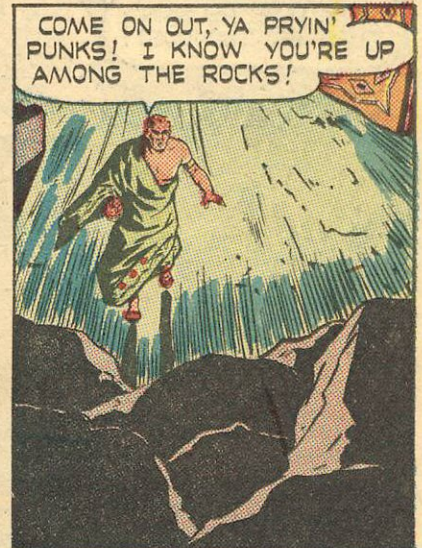
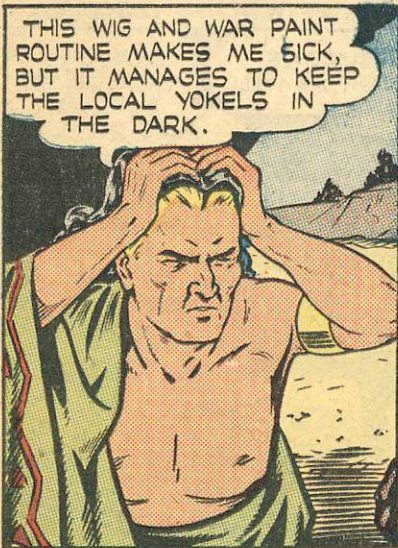
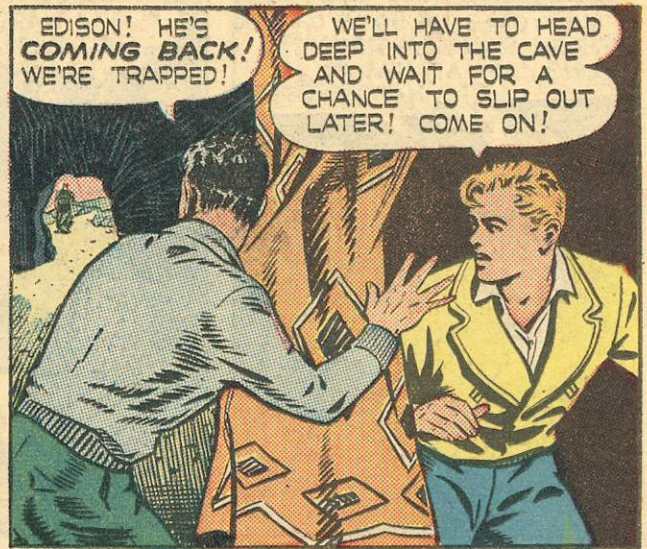
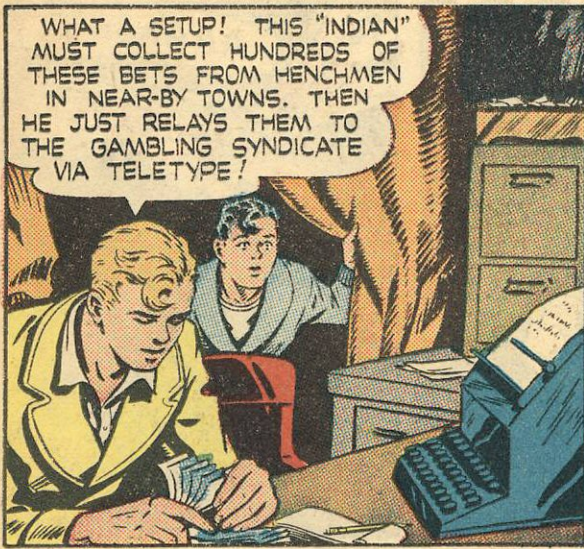






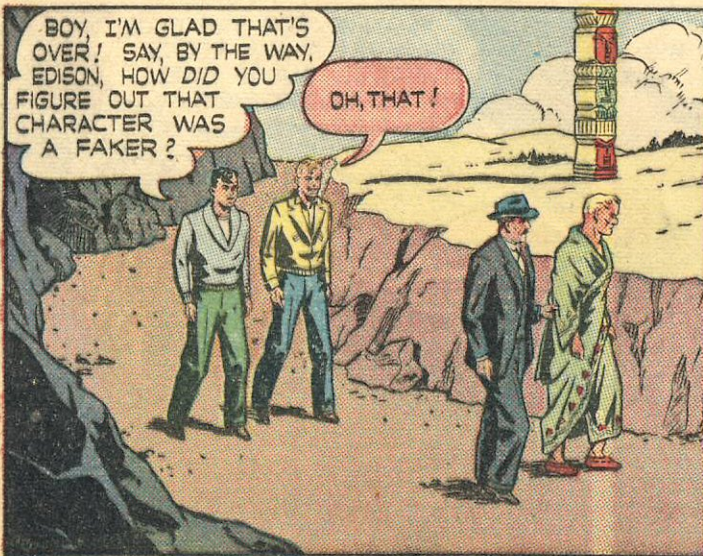
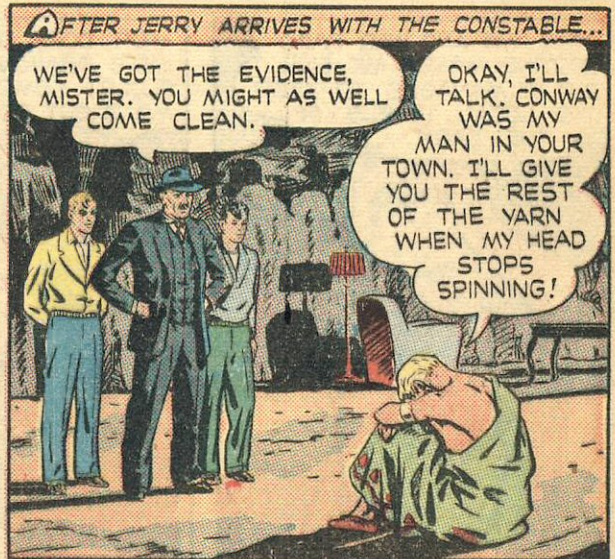






Q12 Can you complete this, "A — — gathers no moss." Hint above!







CARVE YOUR OWN MINIATURE INDIAN

# TOTEM POLE

THE MATERIALS NEEDED ARE:

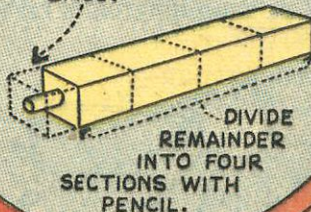
- ONE PIECE OF WOOD 8 INCHES SQUARE AND 3 INCHES HIGH, FOR THE BASE.
- ONE BLOCK OF SOFT CARVING WOOD 3 INCHES SQUARE AND 18 INCHES LONG.
- A SET OF WHITTLING KNIVES.

1. AFTER DETERMINING DESIGN (SUCH AS ONE ILLUSTRATED AT RIGHT), PROCEED AS FOLLOWS:

2.

FOUR FIGURES ARE INCLUDED AND SO WITH A PENCIL, MARK THE 3"-SQUARE BLOCK AND PREPARE AS ILLUSTRATED.

MARK OFF SECTION 1½ INCHES LONG AT THE BOTTOM AND CARVE OUT PEG TO FIT INTO BASE.



3.

THEN MAKE A PENCIL DRAWING OF ALL FOUR FIGURES DIRECTLY ONTO THE WOOD ON THE FRONT AND TWO SIDES... AFTER THE DRAWINGS ARE FINISHED, THE POLE SHOULD APPEAR AS ILLUSTRATED... (BACK CAN BE DECORATED ALSO IF SO DESIRED.)

THE TWO SIDES OF EACH HEAD SHOULD BE IDENTICAL.

4.

START CARVING BY CUTTING AWAY THE LARGER PIECES OF WOOD FIRST TO GET THE GENERAL SHAPE, AS ILLUSTRATED. DETAILS ARE PUT IN LATER.

CAUTION!  
CARVE DETAILS SLOWLY TO AVOID ERRORS.

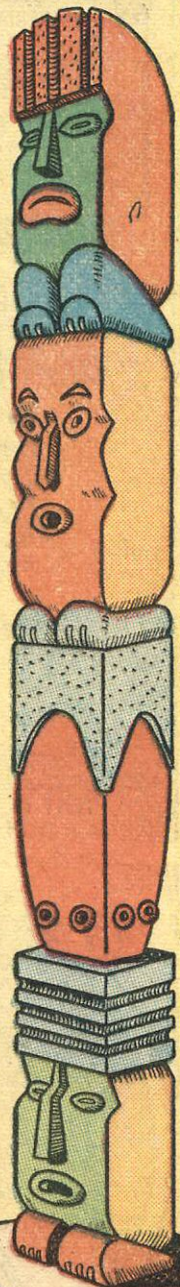
5.

DRILL A HOLE 1½ INCHES DEEP INTO THE 8-INCH SQUARE BLOCK AND SET FINISHED TOTEM POLE INTO IT WITH WOOD GLUE.

PEG SHOULD FIT HOLE SNUGLY.

6.

ILLUSTRATION SHOWS FINISHED TOTEM POLE WHICH MAY BE COLORED WITH WATER COLORS AND THEN COVERED WITH A COAT OF CLEAR SHELLAC.



By  
Harry Lazarus



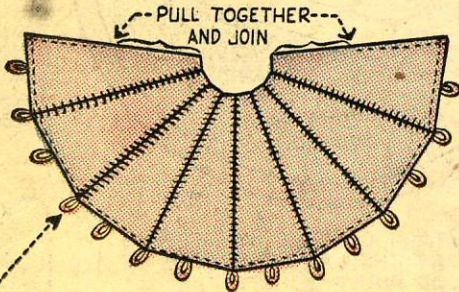
# TEPEE TENT

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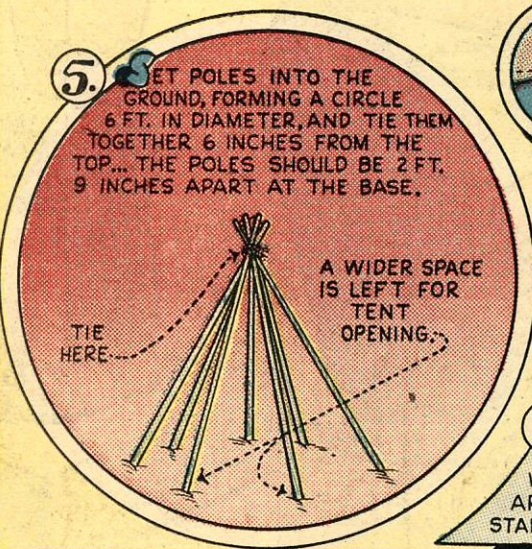
## THE MATERIALS NEEDED ARE:

- 8 YDS. OF 36-INCH CANVAS
- 7 POLES OF WOOD, 1½ INCHES IN DIAMETER AND 7 FEET LONG (THEY MAY BE CUT FROM DRIED BRANCHES.)
- 15 PIECES OF WOOD 2 INCHES SQUARE AND 10 INCHES LONG (TO STAKE CANVAS TO GROUND)

2. MATCH ALL EDGES TOGETHER AND SEW WITH A HEAVY NEEDLE AND TWINE. ALL EDGES BUT THE VERY LAST SHOULD BE SEWN FROM TOP TO BOTTOM. LAST SEAM SHOULD BE SEWN STARTING 3 FEET FROM THE BOTTOM TO THE TOP.



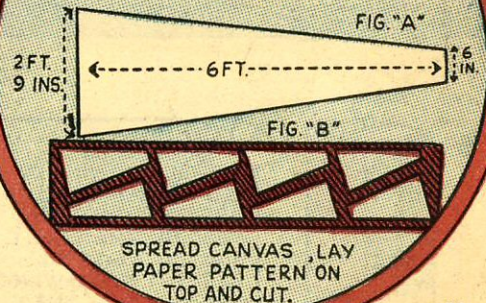
3. PREPARE 15 EIGHT-INCH STRIPS FROM SCRAPS OF CANVAS AND SEW THEM TO THE BOTTOM OF TENT IN THE FORM OF A LOOP AS ILLUSTRATED IN STEP "2" AND HERE.



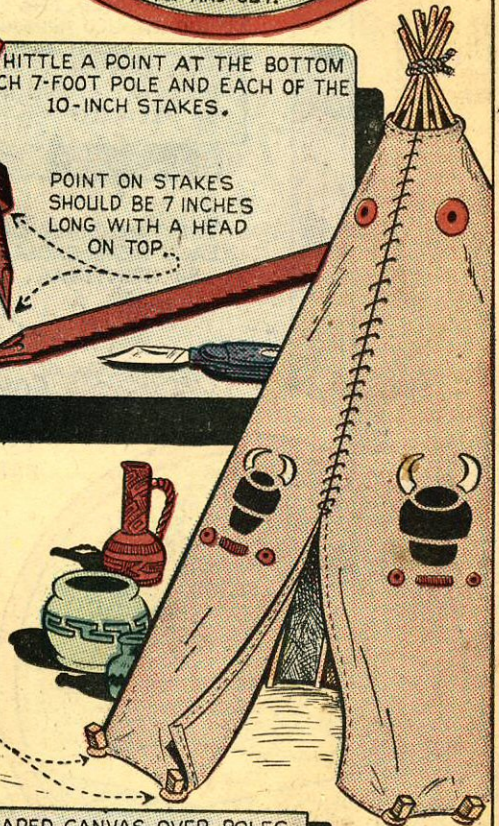
DRIVE STAKES THROUGH THE LOOPS AND INTO GROUND.

6. SLIP CONE-SHAPED CANVAS OVER POLES WITH OPENING AT THE TWO STAKES THAT ARE FURTHEST APART, TO FORM ENTRANCE. STAKE DOWN TENT AND YOU'RE ALL FINISHED.

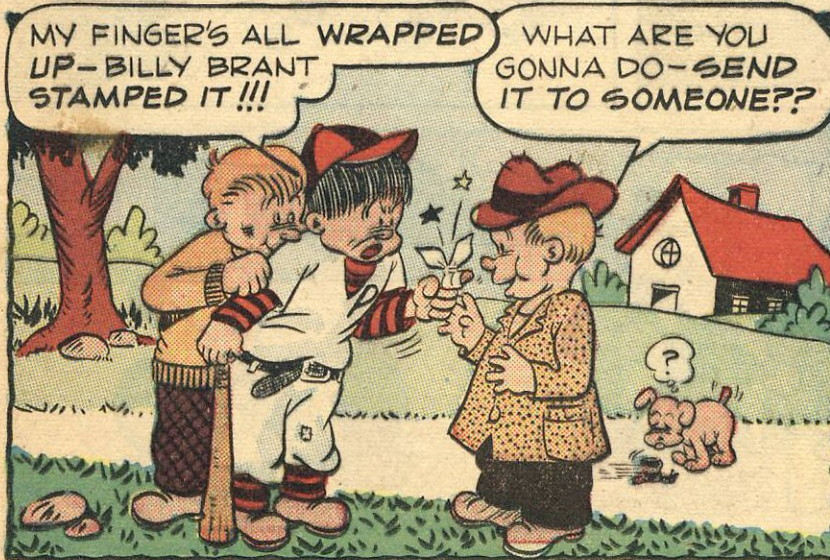
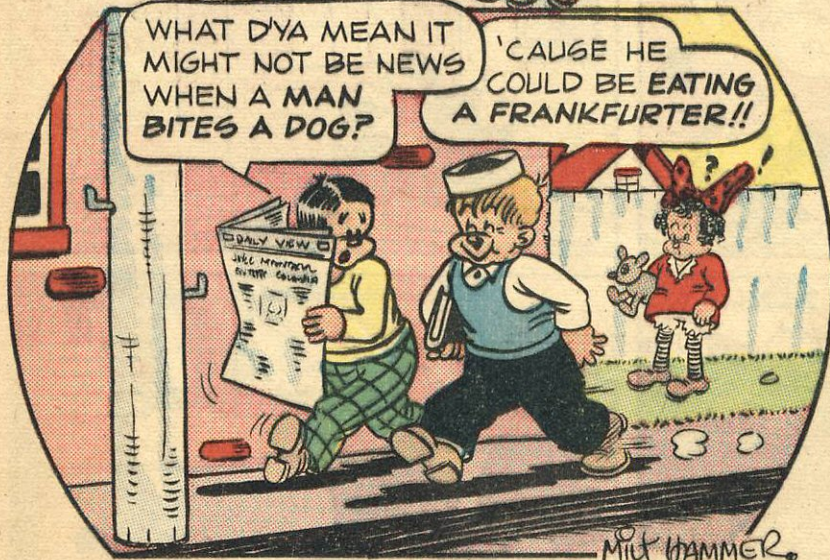
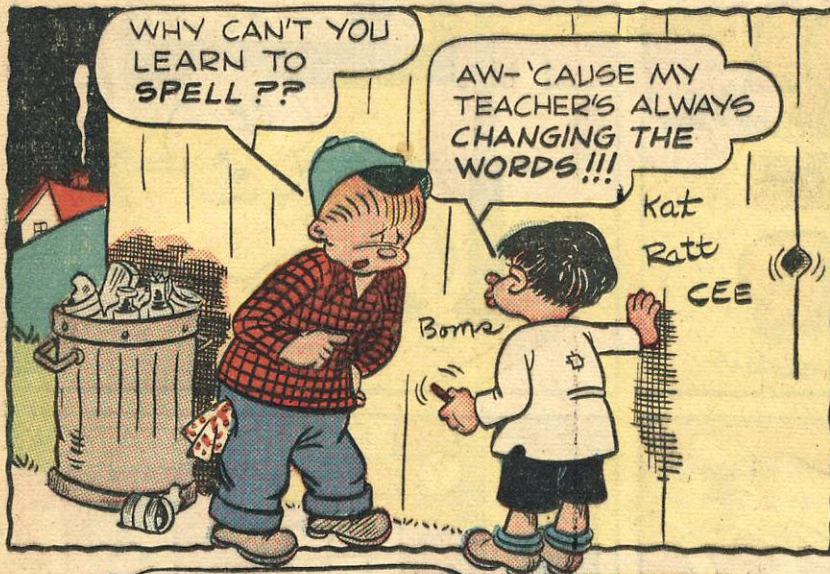
1. PREPARE AS FOLLOWS... FIRST MAKE A PAPER PATTERN AS ILLUSTRATED IN FIG. "A". THEN CUT 8 SUCH SHAPES FROM YOUR CANVAS AS IN FIG. "B" (ALLOW 1 INCH FOR SEAMS.).



4. WHITTLE A POINT AT THE BOTTOM OF EACH 7-FOOT POLE AND EACH OF THE 10-INCH STAKES.







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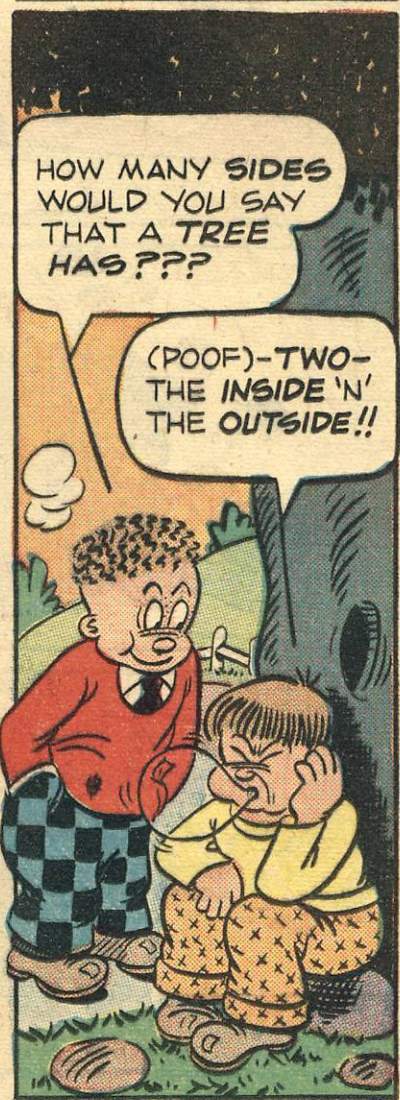
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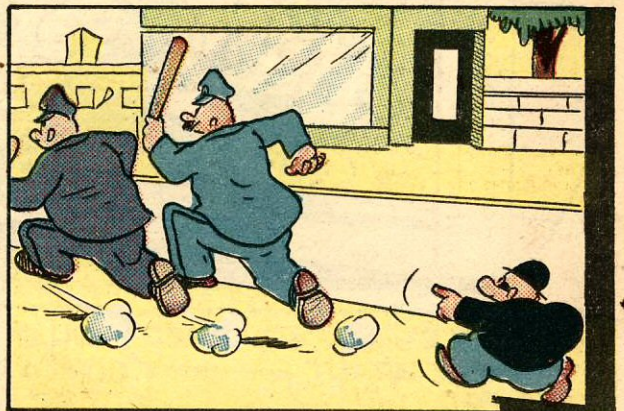
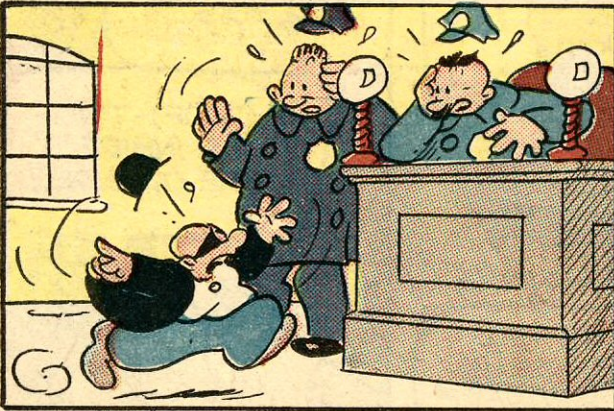
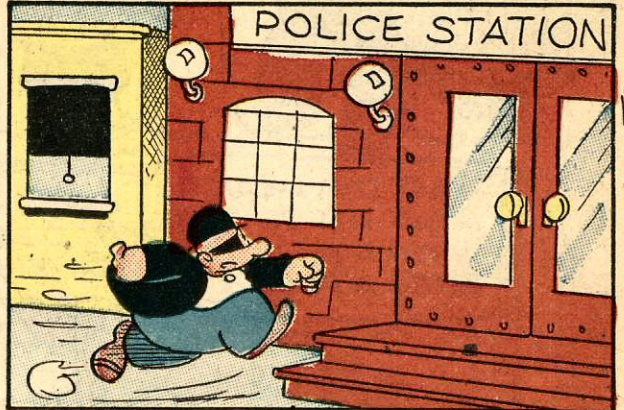
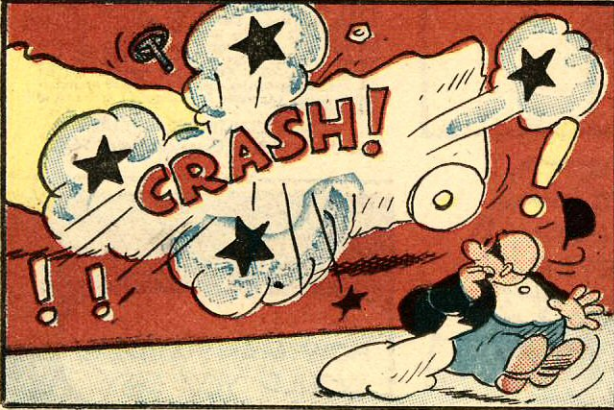
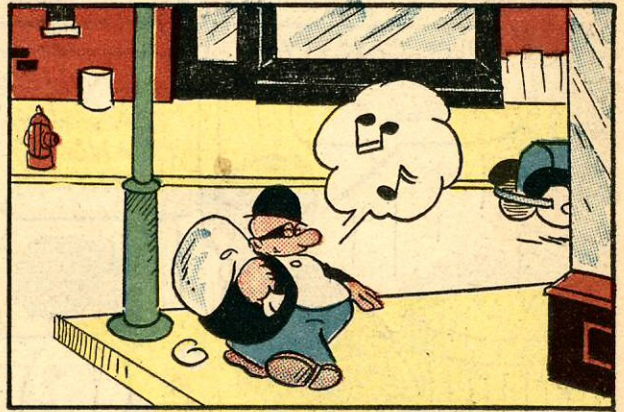
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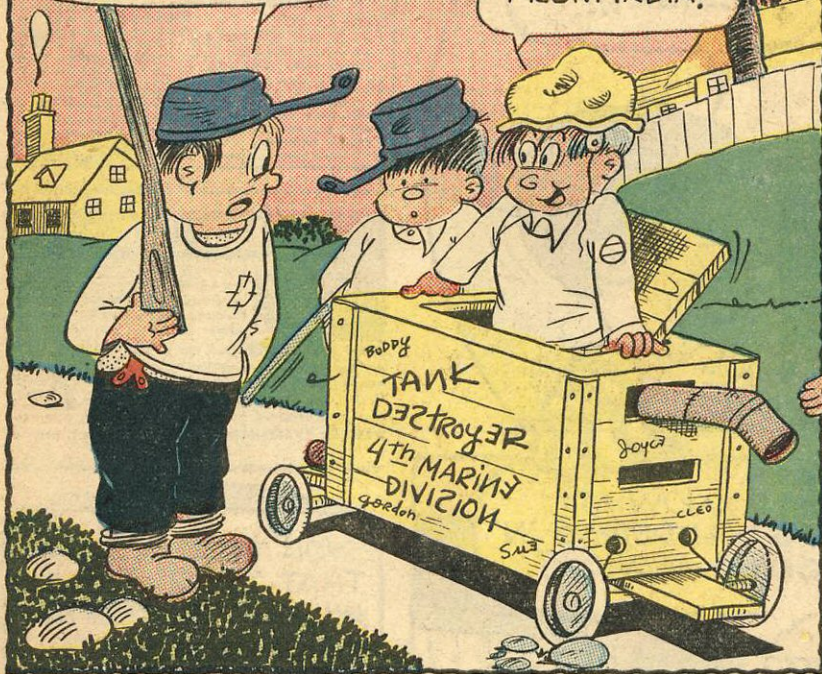
BY ART HELFANT





I WONDER WHY  
ELEPHANTS HAVE  
SUCH BIG TRUNKS?

MAYBE IT'S BECAUSE  
THEY HAVE TO COME  
ALL THE WAY  
FROM INDIA!



HOW COME THAT  
HIS NECK IS SO  
LONG, HUH?

MAYBE IT'S BECAUSE  
HIS HEAD IS SO  
FAR FROM HIS  
BODY!!!



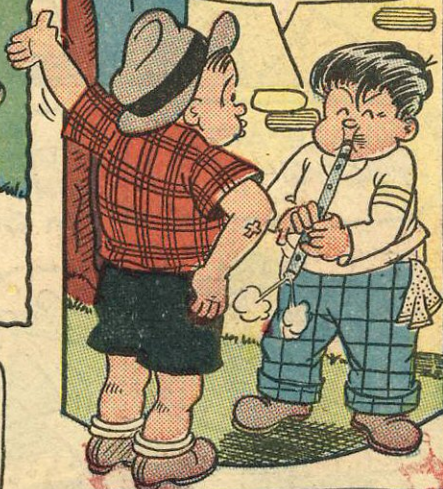
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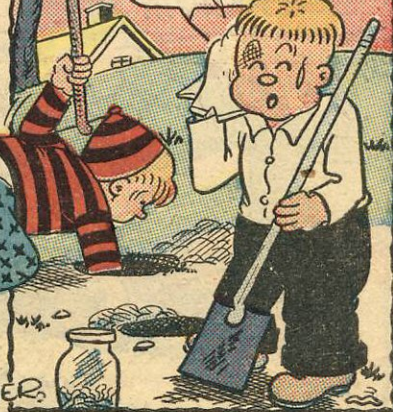
I CAN'T HEAR YOU  
PLAYING ANYTHING!

I KNOW! I'M  
PLAYING SILENT  
NIGHT!! (PUFF)



AND WHY WOULDN'T  
YOU LIKE TO BE  
A FISH?

'CAUSE THEN I  
WOULD HAVE TO  
LIVE IN SCHOOLS  
ALL OF MY  
LIFE!!



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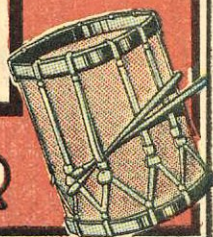
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# THE CADET

Featuring **KIT CARTER**



**U**NAWARE OF DANGERS AWAITING THEM IN THE LAND OF FIERCE HEAD-HUNTER INDIANS, KIT AND DAN ACCOMPANY COLONEL TILGHMAN ON A MILITARY MISSION TO PANAMA.

THAT'S IT, KIT!  
THE LIFELINE OF AMERICA!

LOOK, DAN!  
THERE'S THE CANAL!

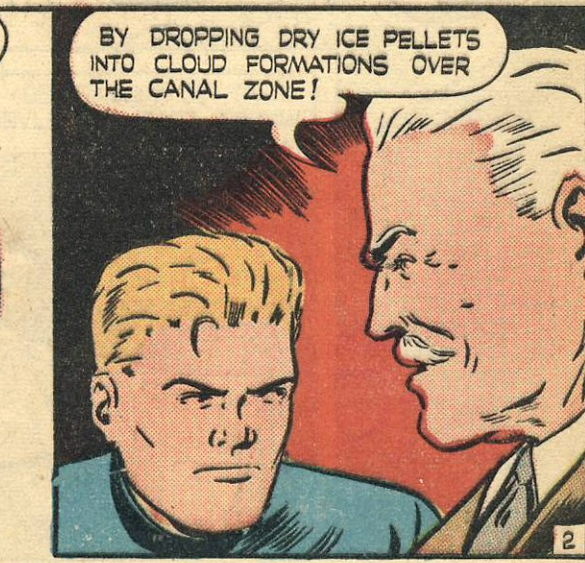
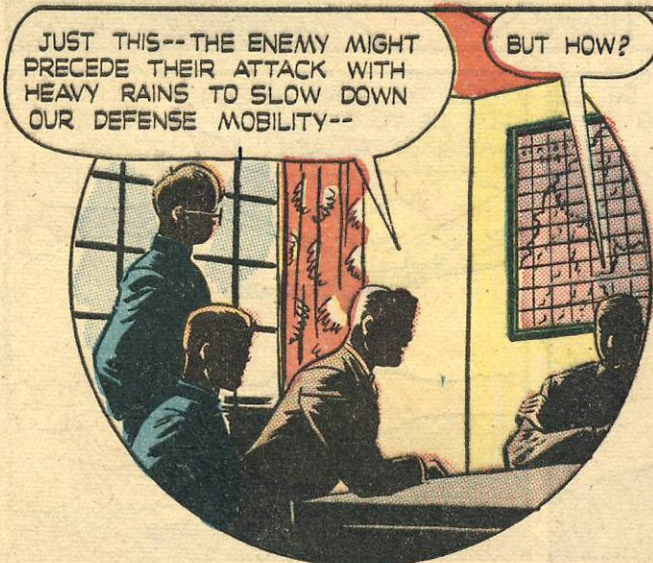
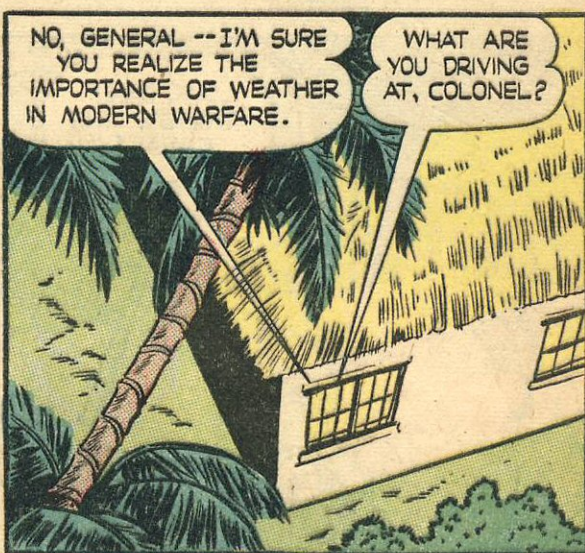
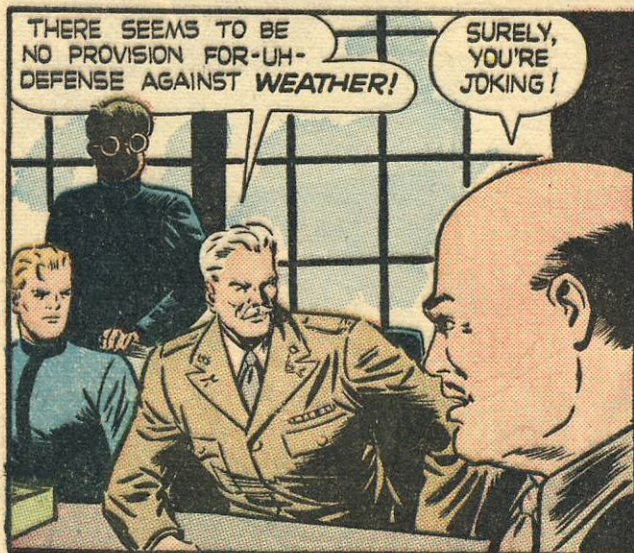
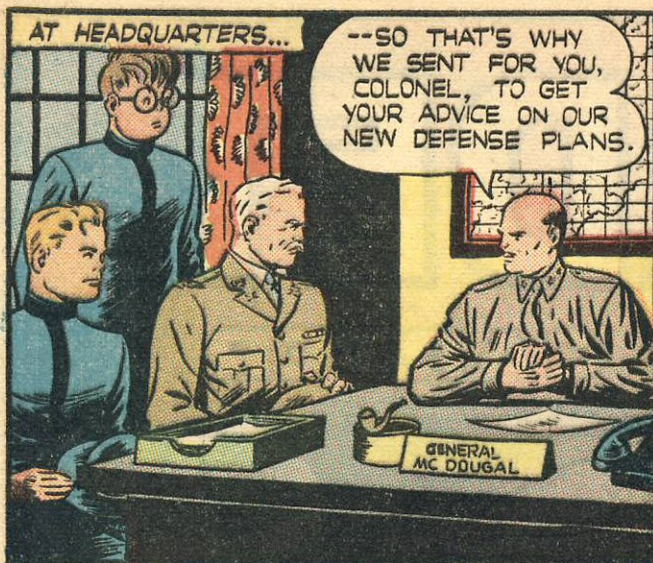
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THAT 50-MILE RIBBON OF WATER COST THE LIVES OF MANY BRAVE MEN AND WOMEN!

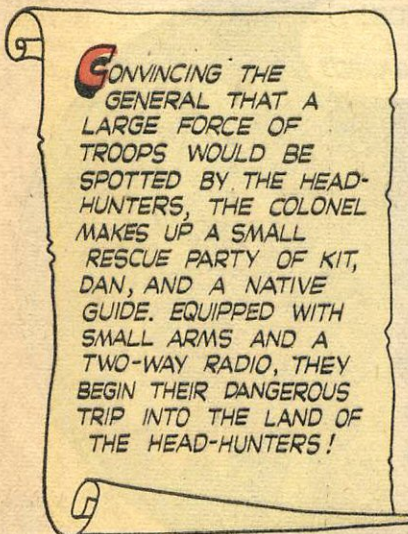
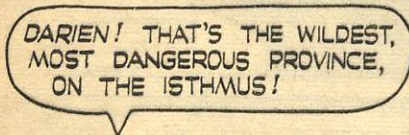
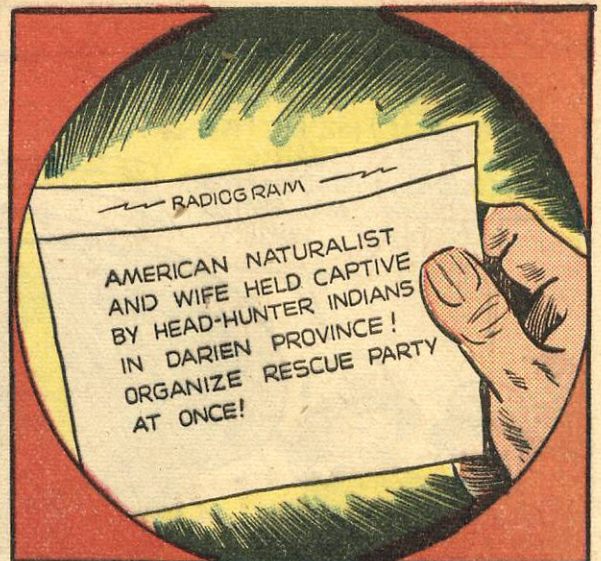
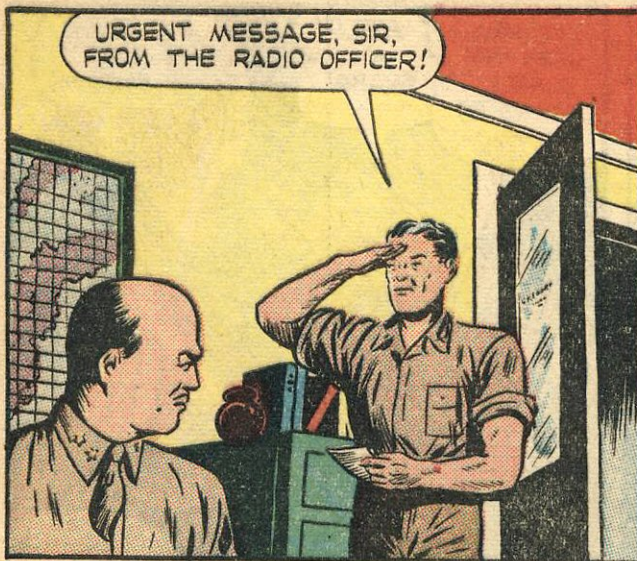
ALL THE MORE REASON FOR US TO DEFEND IT AGAINST ATTACK!

YOU'RE RIGHT, COLONEL TILGHMAN!

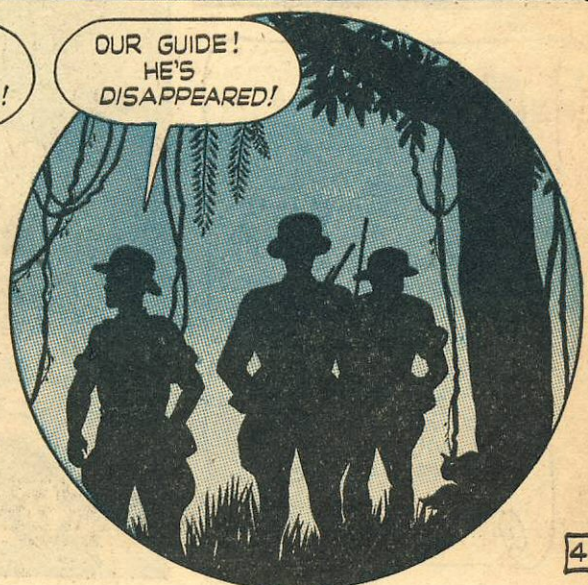
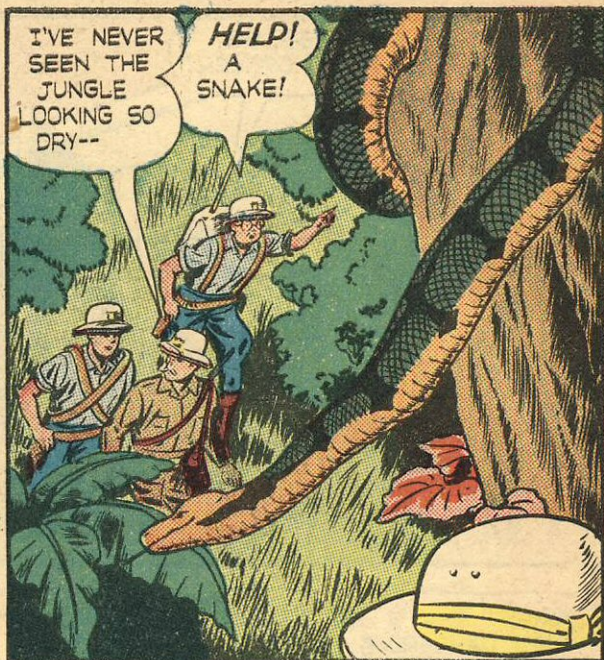














DESERTED BY THEIR GUIDE, THE AMERICANS PRESS ON CAUTIOUSLY THROUGH THE TREACHEROUS JUNGLE. SUDDENLY...

HEAD-HUNTERS!



WHITE MAN MAKE BAD MEDICINE -- MUST DIE!



RINGED BY A CIRCLE OF SILENT SAVAGES, THE WHITE MEN REALIZE THE ODDS AGAINST THEM ARE TOO GREAT.

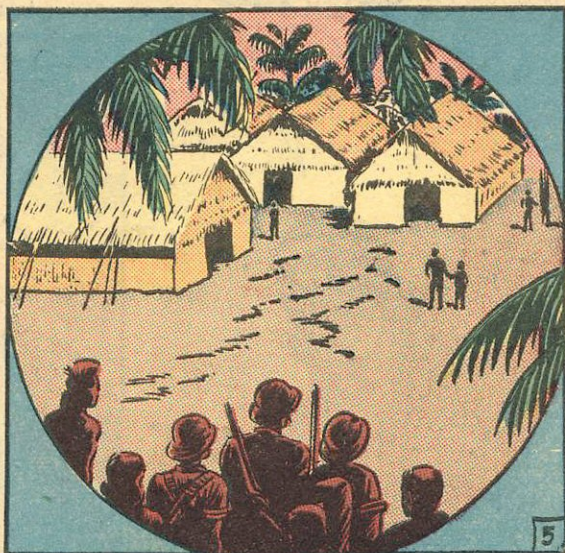
THEY OUTNUMBER US 20-TO-1! WE CAN'T OUTFIGHT THEM -- BUT WE **MIGHT** OUTSMART THEM.

I DON'T FEEL VERY SMART TODAY.



WHERE ARE THEY TAKING US, COLONEL?

JUDGING BY THE SHADOWS, WE'RE HEADING SOUTH -- PROBABLY TO THE MAIN VILLAGE.



Q15 What group of peoples are known for head-hunting?

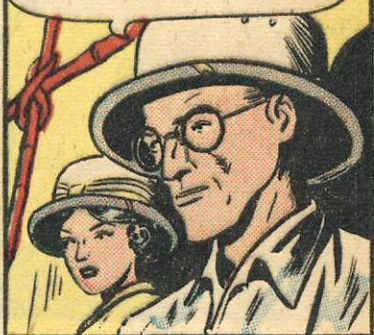


THE SAVAGES. TAKE THEM TO THE HUT WHERE THE AMERICAN NATURALIST AND HIS WIFE ARE HELD PRISONER...

I'M SORRY WE GOT YOU INTO THIS STEW!  
WE'RE NOT IN A STEW YET, WILLIAMS!



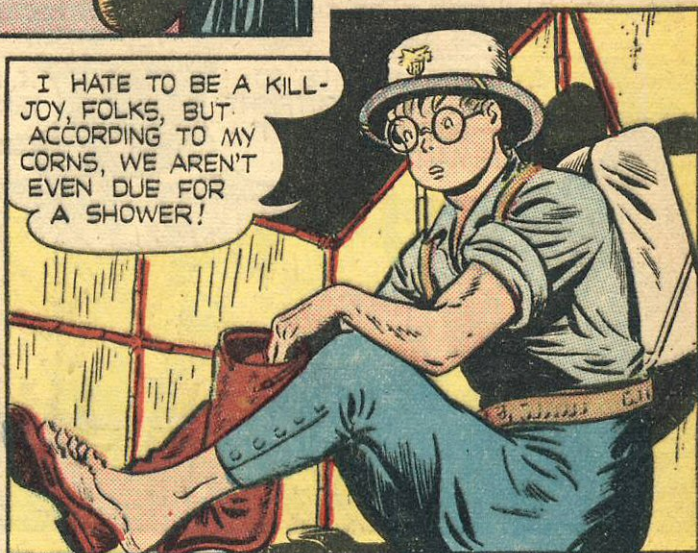
WE SOON WILL BE. THE INDIANS BLAME US FOR THE DROUGHT THAT IS DESTROYING THEIR CROPS. THEY WILL PROBABLY SACRIFICE US TO THEIR RAIN GOD AT TONIGHT'S FULL MOON.



THE JUNGLE IS VERY DRY--THEY MUST BE DESPERATE FOR RAIN.



I HATE TO BE A KILL-JOY, FOLKS, BUT ACCORDING TO MY CORNS, WE AREN'T EVEN DUE FOR A SHOWER!

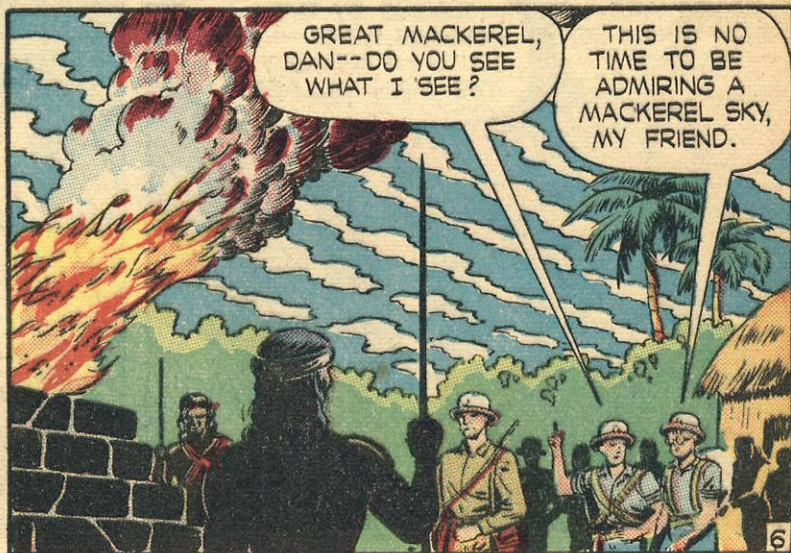


COME!

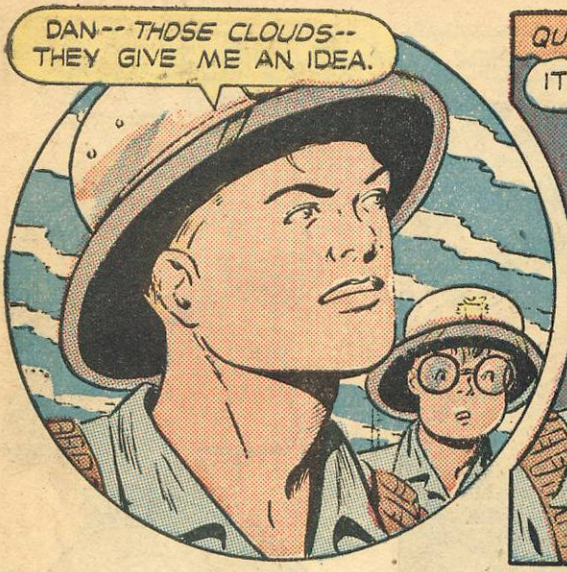


GREAT MACKEREL, DAN--DO YOU SEE WHAT I SEE?

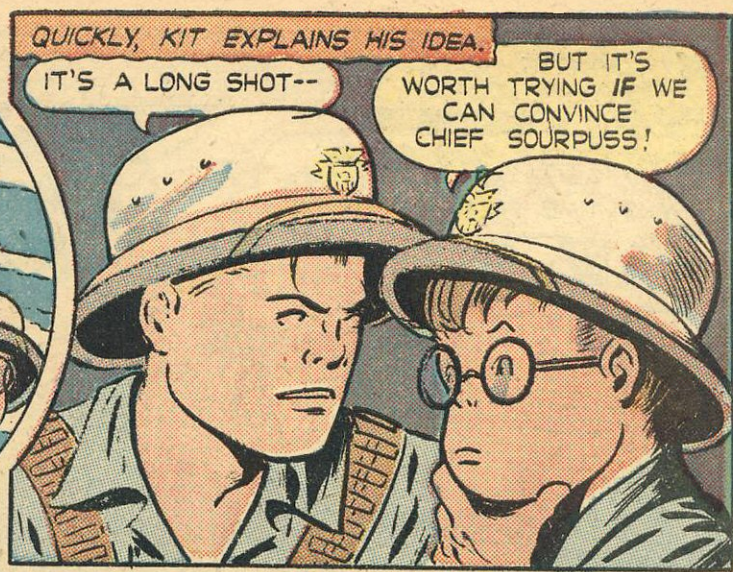
THIS IS NO TIME TO BE ADMIRING A MACKEREL SKY, MY FRIEND.





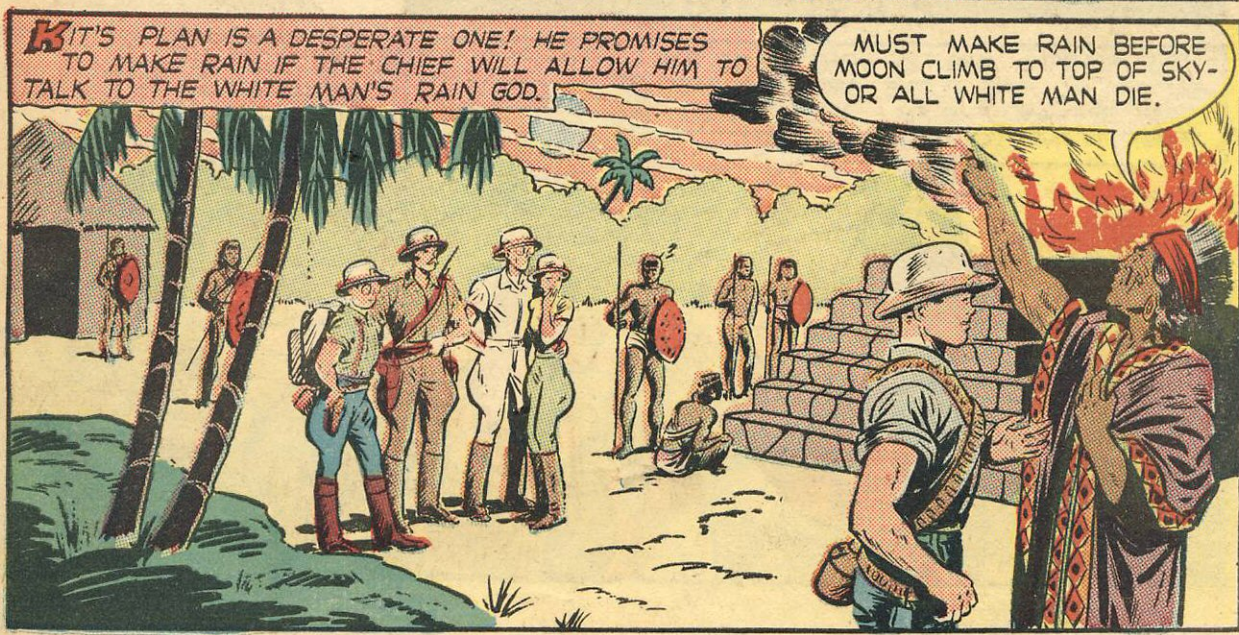


DAN-- THOSE CLOUDS--  
THEY GIVE ME AN IDEA.



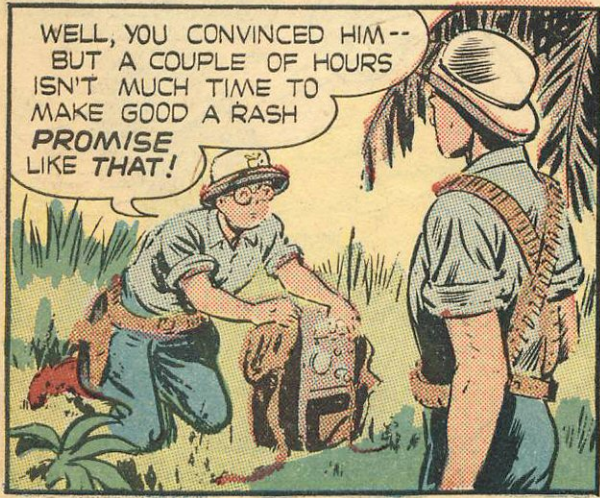
QUICKLY, KIT EXPLAINS HIS IDEA.  
IT'S A LONG SHOT--

BUT IT'S  
WORTH TRYING IF WE  
CAN CONVINCE  
CHIEF SOURPUSS!

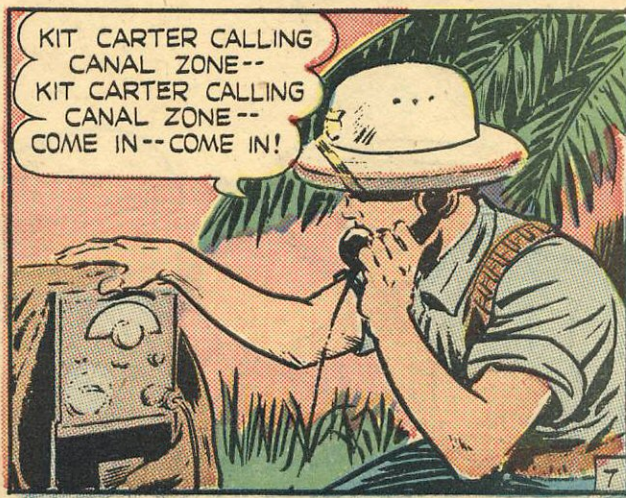


**K**IT'S PLAN IS A DESPERATE ONE! HE PROMISES  
TO MAKE RAIN IF THE CHIEF WILL ALLOW HIM TO  
TALK TO THE WHITE MAN'S RAIN GOD.

MUST MAKE RAIN BEFORE  
MOON CLIMB TO TOP OF SKY--  
OR ALL WHITE MAN DIE.

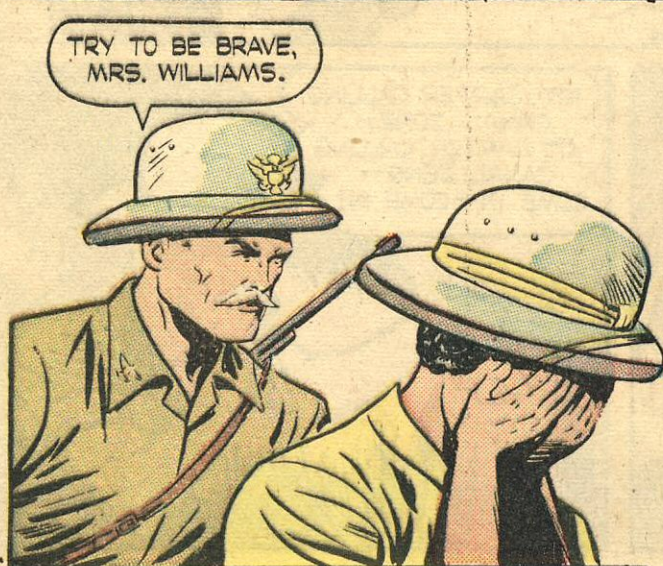
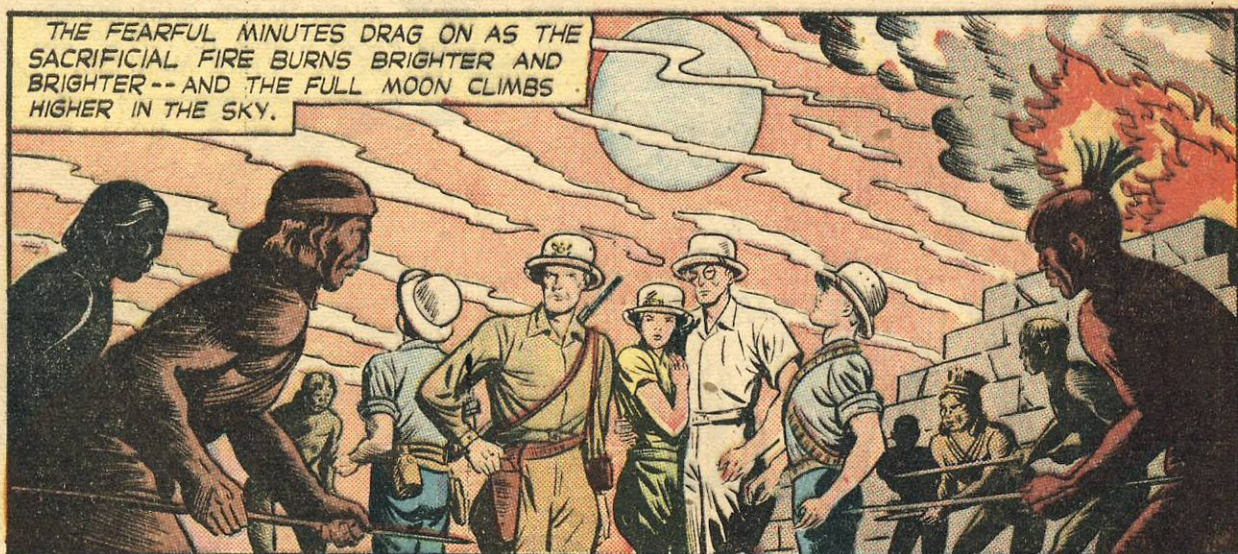
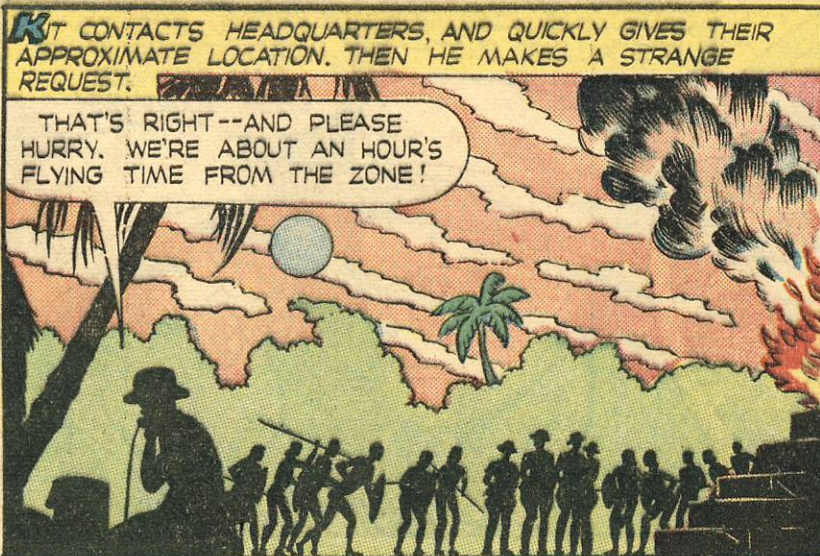


WELL, YOU CONVINCED HIM--  
BUT A COUPLE OF HOURS  
ISN'T MUCH TIME TO  
MAKE GOOD A RASH  
**PROMISE**  
LIKE THAT!



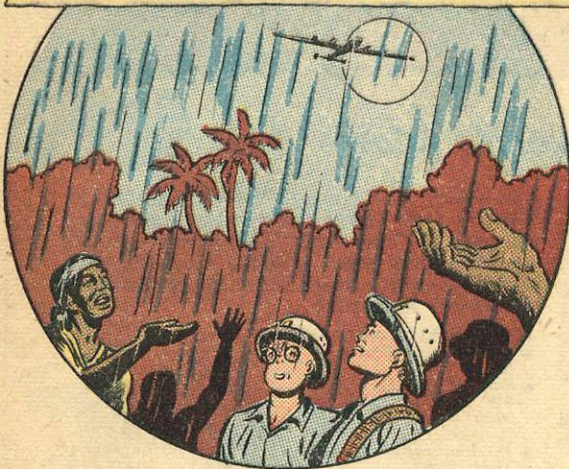
KIT CARTER CALLING  
CANAL ZONE--  
KIT CARTER CALLING  
CANAL ZONE--  
COME IN--COME IN!







THE DRONE OF A FOUR-MOTOR PLANE IS HEARD--AND A STEADY RAIN SUDDENLY BEGINS TO FALL UPON THE THIRSTY JUNGLE.



WHITE MAN MAKE POWERFUL MEDICINE! WHITE MAN GO FREE!



OH, KIT-- YOU'VE SAVED US -- YOU'VE SAVED US ALL!



AWED BY KIT'S APPARENTLY SUPERNATURAL POWERS, THE SAVAGES GIVE THE WHITE MEN SAFE CONDUCT TO THE CANAL ZONE. AT HEAD-QUARTERS.

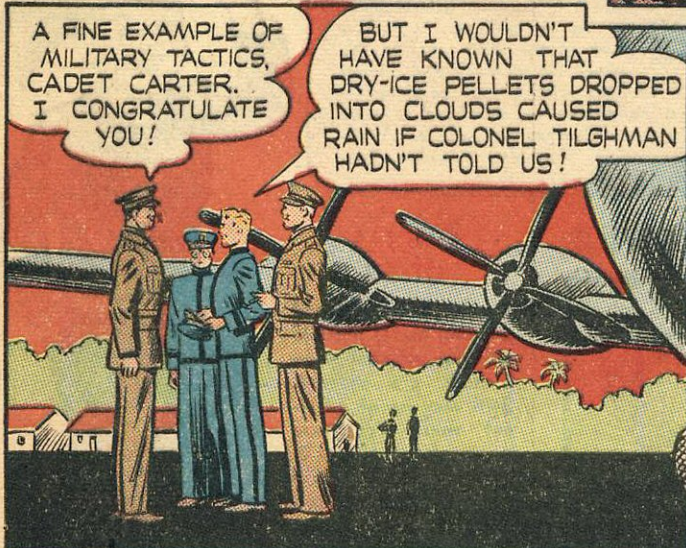
GLAD TO SEE YOU PEOPLE, COLONEL. WE WERE MIGHTY WORRIED WHEN MARIO RETURNED ALONE.

YES, THE THOUGHT OF LOSING HIS HEAD WAS TOO MUCH FOR MARIO.



A FINE EXAMPLE OF MILITARY TACTICS, CADET CARTER. I CONGRATULATE YOU!

BUT I WOULDN'T HAVE KNOWN THAT DRY-ICE PELLETS DROPPED INTO CLOUDS CAUSED RAIN IF COLONEL TILGHMAN HADN'T TOLD US!



WHICH PROVES THE OLD HEAD-HUNTER SAYING THAT TWO HEADS ARE BETTER THAN ONE! THANKS, KIT, FOR SAVING MINE!





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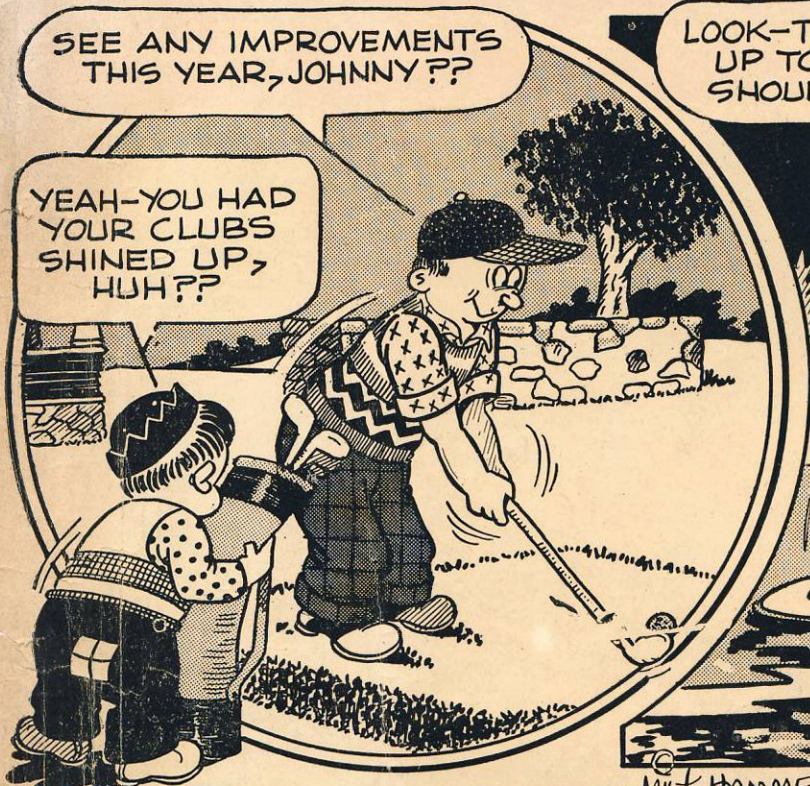




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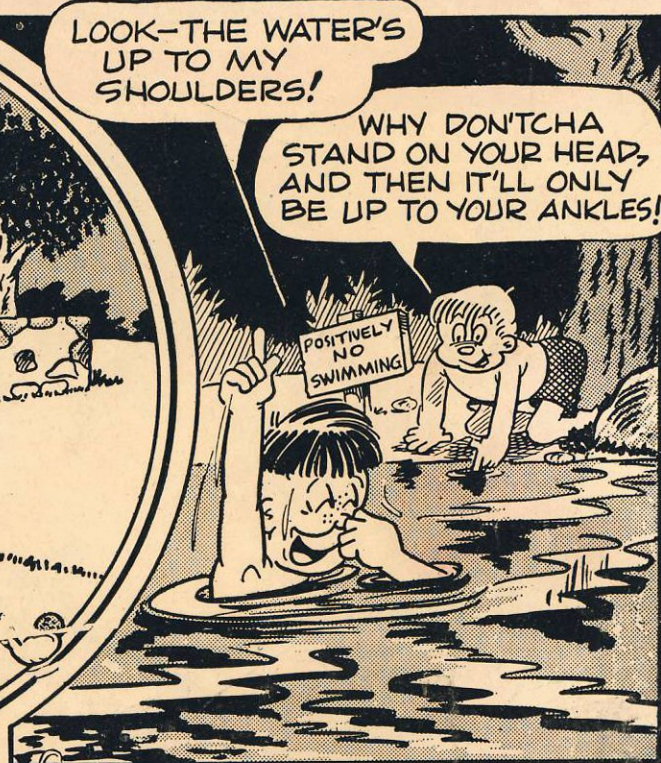
SEE ANY IMPROVEMENTS  
THIS YEAR, JOHNNY??

YEAH-YOU HAD  
YOUR CLUBS  
SHINED UP,  
HUH??



LOOK-THE WATER'S  
UP TO MY  
SHOULDERS!

WHY DON'TCHA  
STAND ON YOUR HEAD,  
AND THEN IT'LL ONLY  
BE UP TO YOUR ANKLES!



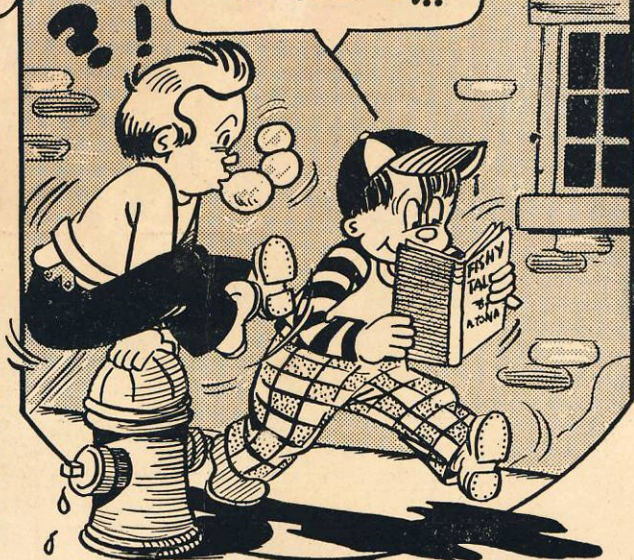
MILT DAMMERO

YOUR BROTHER IS TOO SMALL  
TO PLAY MARBLES FOR KEEPS!

OH, YEAH! HE'S SWALLOWED  
THREE OF MINE ALREADY!!



OYSTERS MUST BE VERY  
LAZY-IT SAYS HERE THAT  
THEY'RE ALWAYS FOUND  
IN BEDS!!!





# HEY GANG!

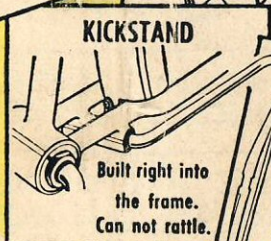
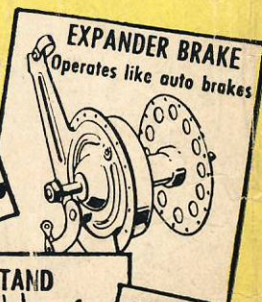
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